

A COMPARATIVE STUDY OF SOME OF
THE LEADING MUSIC, SYSTEMS OF THE
15TH, 16TH, 17TH & 18TH CENTURIES.

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FOREWORD

These short commentaries of the Sangeet Granthas of the past ages form a very valuable contribution to the music literature of modern times. In these the author has left behind a smooth path for a student of the past history of our music through the labyrinth of the ever changing system of Rag-Raginis. Indeed, had it not been for the late learned Prof. Bhatkhande's persistent application to the study of the old literature on the subject with a definite aim at solving the diverse and therefore mysterious and baffling methods of explanation of a common topic with which it is filled perhaps the history of our music of the past centuries would have remained oblivious to us today. Ever since the time of the Sangeet Ratnakar our music had been going through a process of reformation as it were. The old system of Grama-Moorchhana-Jati was abandoned and gave place to the Raga-Ragini or the Janya-Janak (Thata-Raga) theory. In Northern India the Mahomedan rulers proved to be great patrons of music and dancing. They brought with them their own music which, as it always happens in this country, was assimilated into the then Hindu music. New melodies, new styles of interpretation, new types of songs, new Talas were introduced. Thus today we have got what we know as Hindustani music which is a beautiful monument of the fusion of Hindu and Islamic Culture.

In the midst of this reformation a few Granthas expounding the system of music in vogue in their respective times were written. Two of these, Ahobala's Sangeet Parijat and Somnatha's Ragavibodh had already been published when Prof. Bhatkhande took up the study of the Granthas. This does not however mean that they were understood by anybody. In their anxiety to link up the ancient system of music with that current in their own days the authors of these Granthas have rendered themselves difficult to understand. E. G. Somnath explains his music scale in terms of Shrutis as the ancients did. As to what was his exact interval of the Shruti he is mum. He bases his theory on a chromatic scale which is current today in the south as Mukhari and describes his flats and sharps with reference to this scale. In the north even perhaps at Somnatha's time a diatonic scale had already been adopted as the standard scale. Ragavibodh was therefore difficult for the northerners to understand. Similarly Ahobala dutifully accepts the Shrutis and Moorchhanas of the ancients and describes them in elaborate details in the Swaradhyaya. When however he comes to the Ragadhyaya he quietly selects from the Swaradhyaya whatever had a practical bearing on the music current in his time and throws the rest of the bundle overboard.

Even the facts that Somnatha's standard scale was like the Mukhari scale of the Karnatak system of music and that Ahobala's standard scale was like the Kaphi of the Hindustani system of music were hardly discovered before Professor Bhatkhande's commentaries on these Granthas, namely Raga-vibodha-Praveshika and Parijata-Praveshika came out. At least there is no record to prove it.

Under such circumstances it was but natural that the literature of our music of the past should have remained unattended to so long.

These articles deal with over a dozen Granthas and give enough information which makes it quite easy to understand them. Some portion of this book has already appeared in print in "Sangeeta" the Journal of the Morris College of Hindustani Music, Lucknow. But unfortunately the journal having ceased to appear after the fifth issue the rest of this book remained unpublished until the late Mr. Bhalchandra Sitaram Sukthankar the editor and publisher of the Kramik Pustak Malika thought of bringing the whole series out into a book form. This volume was half way through the press when unfortunately Mr. Sukthankar fell ill and died in April 1940. The printing was taken up again a few months ago. Coming, as it is, from the pen of the foremost authority on the subject, it need hardly be added that this book will prove a very interesting and enlightening study.

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But how are we going to systematise it? What systems are we going to adopt? We know that our music in the past was highly systematised and that the system adopted was the best for its needs. I would even go further and say that the system adopted by some of our old Shashtra writers would be found suitable even for the classification or systematisation of our own music. The putting on a different suit of clothes does not change the individual clothed, and similarly, though there may be, and are changes in the music as it is now, from what it was then, there is no such fundamental alteration in it as to make the modern music an essentially different thing. It is, therefore, necessary, in my opinion, to consider the system or systems adopted by our old Shashtra-writers in order to construct a good workable system for our present music. Though the external appearance of our music has to some extent changed, yet, the frame work, to my mind, appears the same. This is apart from the pride one feels for what is one's patrimony. Then again by studying the ancient texts, we can also restore some of the Ragas, which were formerly popular, but have ceased to be in vogue and can correct the method of singing some melodies which are at present incorrectly sung. The principal changes which have taken place, are either as regards the names of the Ragas, or the notes used in them, or as to the Thatas to which they are to be assigned; or perhaps some of the ancient graces and "Gamaks" have lost their ancient forms and so forth but in the main the substratum of our music is undoubtedly the music of the past, and that being so, a study of the past music, in my opinion, is essential. All art, as we know from experience, is progressive, and the Music of today will be the music of the past in a few years more. But the study of any art is incomplete without the study of the progress which it has made, which again is of material assistance in the study of the art as it exists. It is rightly observed that in order that a body of artists who represent any particular art should really be proficient in it, they must be well-versed in the fundamental principles of it. In the present moment, unfortunately, most of our professional artists are not learned in the science of music and the theorists are not well-versed in the art. I am only speaking of my part of the country. This state, however, is happily passing away, and the Indian nation is now taking a great interest in the subject. It is to be expected that at no distant future we shall have people who combine in themselves both the art and the science of Music and then the progress we make will be both rapid and stable.

Having so far tried to show the importance of the study of the ancient sanskrit books, I shall now come to the second question, namely, the subject matter of the study. Before taking up the consideration of this question, I may here point out that the Sanskrit works I have selected for consideration almost all belong to the period when the

country was under the influence of the Mohammedan rulers. The Granthas belong, as will appear, from the title of this series, to the 15th, 16th, 17th and 18th centuries.

The number of treatises on Indian Music which are still extant will go over a hundred, and these lie scattered all over the country. Intending students will find a list of the works extant in the famous book on Indian Music by Captain Day, the reports of the Poona Gayan Samaj, and the catalogue of the Granths of the Bikaner library by the late Rajendralal Mitra. I have already mentioned in the first part of the Hindustani Sangeeta Paddhati at pages 192-195, the names of the music works which I came across during my travels. The libraries of Bikaner, Mysore and Trivandrum contain the most valuable collections of Music books. I am informed that there is a decent collection of Music Manuscripts in the Nepal library too, but I have not been able yet to get access to it. Still we can get at nearly fifty to seventy-five treatises on music from libraries I have mentioned above. I mention hereunder the treatises which are available in each of the libraries above referred to.

In the Library of His Highness the Maharajah of Bikaner there is a large collection of Sanskrit works on Music. I give the names of some of them below:

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| 1 संगीत सूत्र | 18 राग ग्यान |
| 2 रत्नाकरटीका | 19 राग काव्यरत्न |
| —, —सि० भू० | |
| 3 स० राजरत्नकोश | 20 सकर्ण राग |
| 4 अनूप स. रत्नाकर | 21 गमक मजरी |
| 5 स० अनूप विलास | 22 स० मकरद |
| 6 स० अनूपांकुश | 23 सं. मुक्तावली |
| 7 संगीत विनोद | 24 नृत्याध्याय |
| 8 संगीत वर्तमान | 25 मुख्यादि चाली |
| 9 स० अनूपराग सागर | 26 रागमाला (गुहरीक) |
| 10 संगीतोपदेश | 27 रागमजरी—,, |
| 11 शृंगार हार | 28 नर्तन निर्णय—,, |
| 12 स्वामेल कलाविधि | 29 स० रा० चन्द्रोदय ,, |
| 13 हृदय कौतुक | 30 संगीत शरीर |
| 14 हृदय प्रकाश | 31 स० सार नृत्याध्याय |
| 15 स० कल्पतरु | 32 स्वराध्याय भाषा |
| 16 राग विबोध | 33 पुरलीप्रकाश |
| 17 रागमाला | 34 संगीत पारिजात |

35 सं० सार कलिका	40 संगीत दर्पण
36 सं० रागतत्त्वविबोध	41 सं० आनंदजीवन
37 हनुमन्तरागविमर्षा	42 सं० दर्पण-हिंदी
38 सं० रामकौतुक	43 रागमाला
39 सं० उपनिषत्सार	44 संकीर्णरागाध्याय

45 रत्नाकर टीका (कह्नीनाथ)

The following Sanskrit works will be available in the Government Oriental Library, Mysore.

1 अभिनयदर्पण	8 संगीत मकरंद
2 अभिनयमुकुट	9 अभिनयप्रकरण
3 अभिनवभरतसार	10 रत्नाकरव्याख्या
4 आदि भरत	11 संगीत लक्षण
5 संगीत दर्पण	12 संगीतसमयसार
6 भरतसार	13 संगीतलक्षणदीपिका
7 संगीत चूडामणि	14 स्वरप्रस्तार

15 स्वरमेलकलानिधि

The following Music granthas will be found in the Palace Library at Trivandrum.

1 अंगहारलक्षण	8 रसार्णवसुधाकर
2 नाट्यग्रंथ	9 संगीत चिन्तामणि
3 नाट्यवेदविवृति	10 ,, चूडामणि
4 नृत्यरत्नाकर	11 संगीत सुधा
5 बालरामभरत	12 ,, सुधाकर
6 नाट्यवेद	13 सप्तस्वरलक्षण
7 भावप्रकाश	14 स्वरतालादिलक्षण

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1 संगीत रत्नावली	3 स्वरमेलकलानिधि
2 संगीत रसकौमुदी	4 संगीत मकरंद

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The following are the treatises available in the Library of His Highness the Maharaja of Kashi.

1 संगीत रत्नाकर	6 रागसारावली
2 संगीत धुनंदन	7 रत्नाकर टीका सि० भू०
3 सं० रत्नाकर स्वराध्याय	8 उद्दे गुण- (परीक्षा)
4 संगीत सारावली	9 नवमाते आसकी (परीक्षा)
5 संगीत पारिजात	10 नाददीपक

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| 1 संगीत सारामृत | 9 रागप्रस्तार |
| 2 " प्रतावली | 10 तालदशमार्गदीपिका |
| 3 रागरत्नाकर | 11 राग लक्षण |
| 4 अभिनयदर्पण | 12 दतिल कौहलीयम् |
| 5 अष्टोत्तरशतताललक्षण | 13 मगीत मकरद |
| 6 तालप्रस्तार | 14 चत्वारिंशच्छत राग निरूपणम् |
| 7 ताल लक्षण | 15 संगीत दर्पण |
| 8 ताल दीपिका | 16 सं० रत्नाकर |

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| 1 वृत्तल पुराण | 5 संगीत सारमगद |
| 2 राग विशेष | 6 स्वरमेलकलानिधि |
| 3 मगीत दर्पण | 7 संगीताभ्यास |
| 4 " रत्नाकर | 8 कौहलादृत्य |

The following works are supposed to have been acquired for the Royal Asiatic Library at Calcutta, by Mahamahopadhyaya Harprasad Shastri:

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| 1 रागविबोध | 8 आनंदजावन |
| 2 गार्धर्ववेद | 9 सोमेश्वरमत |
| 3 रागबुबकमणि | 10 गीतगिरीशकाव्य |
| 4 संगीतसंग्रह | 11 संगीत रसकौमुदी |
| 5 संगीतविधानिदान | 12 संगीतसार |
| 6 संगीतकल्पलता | 13 गीतसार |
| 7 संगीत रघुनदन | 14 भरतगानशास्त्र |
| | 15 सामग्रकाश |

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| 2 भारतनाट्य शास्त्र | 8 सद्रागचन्द्रोदय |
| 3 स्वरमेलकलानिधि | 9 रागतरंगिणी |
| 4 रागविबोध | 10 संगीत पारिजात |
| 5 चतुर्दशिकाशिका | 11 हृदयकौतुक |
| 6 संगीत सारामृत | 12 हृदयप्रकाश |

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| 35 सं० सार कलिका | 40 संगीत दर्पण |
| 36 सं० रागतत्त्वविबोध | 41 सं० आनंदजीवन |
| 37 इन्द्रमन्तगगविमाया | 42 सं० दर्पण-हिंदी |
| 38 सं० रामकौतुक | 43 रागमाला |
| 39 सं० उपनिषत्सार | 44 संकीर्णरागाध्याय |

45 रत्नाकर टीका (कर्त्तृनाथ)

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| 1 अभिनयदर्पण | 8 संगीत मकरंद |
| 2 अभिनयप्रकृत | 9 अभिनयप्रकरण |
| 3 अभिनवमरतसार | 10 रत्नाकरव्याख्या |
| 4 आदि मरत | 11 संगीत लक्षण |
| 5 संगीत दर्पण | 12 संगीतसमयसार |
| 6 मरतसार | 13 संगीतलक्षणदीपिका |
| 7 संगीत चूड़ामणि | 14 स्वरप्रस्तार |

15 स्वरमेलकलानिधि

The following Music granthas will be found in the Palace Library at Trivandrum.

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| 1 अंगहारलक्षण | 8 रसार्णवसुधाकर |
| 2 नाट्यग्रंथ | 9 संगीत चिंतामणी |
| 3 नाट्यवेदविवृति | 10 ,, चूड़ामणि |
| 4 नृत्यरत्नाकर | 11 संगीत सुधा |
| 5 बालराममरत | 12 ,, सुधाकर |
| 6 नाट्यवेद | 13 सप्तस्वरलक्षण |
| 7 भावप्रकाश | 14 स्वरतालालिलक्षण |

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| 1 संगीत रत्नावली | 3 स्वरमेलकलानिधि |
| 2 संगीत रसकौमुदी | 4 संगीत मकरंद |

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| 1 संगीत रत्नाकर | 6 रागसारावली |
| 2 संगीत रघुनंदन | 7 रत्नाकर टीका सं० भू० |
| 3 सं० रत्नाकर स्वराध्याय | 8 उद्दे गुण- (पर्शन) |
| 4 संगीत सारावली | 9 नद्यमति आसकी (पर्शन) |
| 5 संगीत पारिजात | 10 नाददीपक |

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| 1 संगीत सारामृत | 9 रागप्रस्ता |
| 2 " प्रतावली | 10 तालदशमणदीपिका |
| 3 रागरत्नाकर | 11 राग लक्षण |
| 4 अमिनयदर्पण | 12 दतिल कौटुलीयम् |
| 5 अष्टोत्तरतताललक्षण | 13 मगीत मकरंद |
| 6 तालप्रस्ता | 14 चत्वारिंशच्छन राग निरूपणम् |
| 7 ताल लक्षण | 15 संगीत दर्पण |
| 8 ताल दीपिका | 16 स० रत्नाकर |

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| 1 दृष्टाल पुराण | 5 संगीत सारसमृद् |
| 2 राग विशेष | 6 स्वरमेलकलानिधि |
| 3 मगीत दर्पण | 7 संगीताम्पाय |
| 4 " रत्नाकर | 8 कौटुलीयम् |

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| 1 रागविबोध | 8 अलदजीवन |
| 2 गीर्धर्ववेद | 9 सीमेश्वरमत |
| 3 रागचुंबकमणि | 10 गीतगिरिचक्राय |
| 4 संगीतसमृद् | 11 संगीत रसकौमुदी |
| 5 संगीतविषयनिदान | 12 संगीतसाग |
| 6 संगीतकल्पलता | 13 गीतसार |
| 7 संगीत रघुनंदन | 14 भारतगानशास्त्र |
| | 15 सामयकाश |

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| 2 भारतनाय्य शास्त्र | 8 सद्भागवतश्रीदय |
| 3 स्वरमेलकलानिधि | 9 रागतरंगिणी |
| 4 रागविबोध | 10 संगीत पारिजात |
| 5 चतुर्दशिकाशिका | 11 हृदयकौमुद |
| 6 संगीत सारामृत | 12 हृदयप्रकाश |

- 35 सं० सार कलिका
- 36 सं० रागतत्त्वविबोध
- 37 हनुमन्तरागविभाषा
- 38 सं० रामकौतुक
- 39 सं० उपनिषत्सार

- 40 संगीत दर्पण
- 41 सं० आनन्दजीवन
- 42 सं० दर्पण-हिंदी
- 43 रागमाला
- 44 संकीर्णरागाध्याय

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| 1 अभिनयदर्पण | 8 संगीत मकरंद |
| 2 अभिनयसूक्त | 9 अभिनयप्रकरण |
| 3 अभिनवभरतसार | 10 रत्नाकरव्याख्या |
| 4 आदि भरत | 11 संगीत लक्षण |
| 5 संगीत दर्पण | 12 संगीतसमयसार |
| 6 भरतसार | 13 संगीतलक्षणदीपिका |
| 7 संगीत चूड़ामणि | 14 स्वरप्रस्तार |

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| 3 नाट्यवेदविवृति | 10 ,, चूड़ामणि |
| 4 नृत्यरत्नाकर | 11 संगीत सुधा |
| 5 बालरामभरत | 12 ,, सुधाकर |
| 6 नाट्यवेद | 13 सप्तस्वरलक्षण |
| 7 भावप्रकाश | 14 स्वरतालदिलक्षण |

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| 2 संगीत रसकौमुदी | 4 संगीत मकरंद |

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| 1 संगीत रत्नाकर | 6 रागसारावली |
| 2 संगीत रघुनंदन | 7 रत्नाकर टीका सि० भू० |
| 3 सं० रत्नाकर स्वराध्याय | 8 उक्ते गुणा-(पर्शन) |
| 4 संगीत सारावली | 9 नवमाते आसकी (पर्शन) |
| 5 संगीत पारिजात | 10 नाददीपक |

ed out of the ancient Swaras I may quote here what my learned friend Dr. Prabhakar Bhandarkar of Indore has to say about the difficulty of determining the relative pitches of the Swaras used in the Sama-Veda. He says "From Sangeeta Ratnakara I Chap v P, 58, and the Naradi Shiksha, it would appear that a "Rig" was chanted in monotone, a "Gatha" in two notes, and a Sama in three notes, a scale of four swaras seems also to have been used, and was called Swarantara. In what relations of pitch the notes stood in the last three cases, it is impossible to say. We are also ignorant of the stages by which the three notes of the Sama chant rose to the number seven, nor can we say with any certainty what relation these seven notes bore to the well known seven notes of the later music. The former were named Krishta, Prathama, Dwitīya, Tritīya, Chaturtha, Mandra and Atiswara. It is certain that these are in descending order of pitch, but in what exact relation, it is impossible to say. Moreover, the names of the Sama notes, seem to have varied from time to time and in different parts of the country. The enumeration and notation by the first seven numerals is more modern" (Vide P 162 Indian Antiquary July, 1912)

In order to obtain, if possible, more information about the exact pitch relations of the Sama swaras, I personally visited Benares and consulted there such learned Samavedis as Wamanacharya, Bapat Shastri, Ganesh Guru and others, but I am sorry to say that they were unable to give any satisfactory explanation. I understand, however, that a lot of research work on this subject is going on in the southern presidency where, it is said, a more intimate knowledge of the Sanskrit granthas exists. For myself I have already confessed that I am unable to throw any light on the Sama scale just at present. In any case I suppose, it would not be of any practical use to enter into the subject of Sama music for the study of our present music.

The Granthas with which I propose to deal in this series, as being, in my opinion, necessary for such study will be

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| 1 रागतरंगिणी | 10 अनुपसर्गांतराकाश |
| 2 हृदयकौतुक | 11 अनुपाविलास |
| 3 हृदयप्रकाश | 12 अनुपाकृश |
| 4 सर्गांत पारिजात | 13 स्वर्गानुदा |
| 5 सदागवद्रोदय | 14 स्वर्गमेलकृतानिधि |
| 6 रागमाला (पुष्परीक) | 15 रागविबोध |
| 7 रागमजरी (पुष्परीक) | 16 संगीत सरसूत |
| 8 नर्तननिर्णय | 17 षट्पदगणितशास्त्रिका |
| 9 रागतरंगविबोध | 18 रागलक्षणम् |

We at first had some doubt whether it be granted that the first thirteen of those referred to the names of Northern India, and the remaining five to the name of the Southern tendency. It is well-known that there are two systems of yoga in the country. The Northern system is known as the Hinduist system, and the Southern is called the Karnatik system. I am not so expert in the Northern system but I have studied the same method of yoga relating to that system. I am of opinion that a student would gain more the directions Bhagavata-Nakandini, Raja Vaidya, Narayana Chandra and Ishwara and Nara Lakshmana will find much help in acquiring a fair knowledge of the Southern system.

The reader will perhaps be surprised to see that among the *Granthas* I propose to deal with, the names of the *Natyashastra* of Bharata and the *Rasadharin* of Ratana are nowhere mentioned. I have omitted them for a different purpose. I do not deny their importance, but as far as I am aware of our modern scholars have successfully solved the questions in all questions that arise a student who wishes to make a careful study of these ancient works. I know there are some works dealing with them, but they do not satisfy me. Attempts are not infrequently made to show that the scale used by Bharata and Sharang-dhar is exactly the same as the one used by our present musicians. The confusion theory of Harnstein too, by some clever interpretation, as that I have understood it, is sought to be unchained from the ancient Sanskrit words. Ancient *Murchhanna*, *Jatis*, and *Ragas* are boldly placed before the public for acceptance in their new garbs. Though it must be stated that these have up to now failed to impress those who have devoted some of their time to the study of the *Granthas*. I have therefore studiously avoided entering these controversial matters in these studies and have selected those *Granthas* only which being easier to handle appeared to me to be of great practical importance. I do not for a moment insinuate that the attempts to solve Bharata and Ratana are that I mentioned above are deliberately mischievous. We may say they are perfectly honest. But as they fail to satisfy the usual test I have preferred to omit the consideration of the two ancient treatises on this occasion. I may mention here that there is a great difference of opinion among our modern scholars themselves as to the question whether or not the *shruti* was a fixed unit. Some scholars say it was, others deny that. Needless to say, the definition of *Shuddha* scale hinges on the solution of this question. We all know that the *Ragas* of *Ratanakara* are defined in terms of the *Murchhanna* and *Jatis*, and there would remain indefinite so long as the *Shuddha* scale remains unsatisfactory and indefinite. So that, until there is a consensus of opinion as to the right value of a *Shruti* and until it becomes possible to determine the *Shuddha* scale of *Natya*

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books. These two books, therefore, in my opinion, go outside the sphere of study of the ordinary music student and enter that of the research scholar. Reverting then to the list I have already mentioned, I shall deal with the Granthas therein named. About these there is a tolerable amount of certainty and also not much difference of opinion. I do not suggest that the music of those books is the same as that of Ratnakara or of Bharata, but these treatises are likely to throw considerable light on the music we sing and play today.

The great difficulty which a student of Natya Shastra and Ratnakara meets with at the very outset is that of correctly locating the positions of the Shrutis and the Swaras of those two ancient treatises. In the absence of a satisfactory solution of these, the remaining portions of the treatises remain perfectly unintelligible. The Gramas, Murchanas, Jatis and the Ragas, have all to be evolved, as we know, from the Shuddha and Vikrita Swaras which again depend upon their Shrutis. The positions of those Shrutis and Swaras, therefore, require to be placed beyond all reasonable doubt. It will perhaps not be out of place here to indicate how the difficulty for the student arises while attempting to study the Natya Shastra. I do not think it is anywhere disputed now that the Shruti Swara arrangement of Sharangdeva is essentially the same as that expounded by Bharata. If we then are able to arrive at any satisfactory conclusions as regards Bharata's Shrutis and Swaras, it would hardly be necessary to investigate the Shrutis and Swaras of Sharangdeva. We are told by our research scholars that Bharata lived in the 5th century AD and that Sharangdeva wrote his Ratnakara about the middle of the thirteenth century AD. We shall not dispute these dates. The great question before us is, what does Bharata say about his shrutis and Swaras, in the Natya Shastra. Fortunately for us, Bharata has very lucidly explained his Shrutis and Swaras at P 304, Chap 28 of his work the Natya Shastra, and it will be interesting to go through his explanation. But while doing so, it will be useful to constantly bear in mind the following two or three important rules generally followed by careful research scholars while interpreting ancient texts

- (1) The mind has to be kept entirely free from any preconceived ideas or theories
- (2) No statements or assumptions should be made which are not strictly warranted by the text in hand.
- (3) In the interpretation of ancient texts the directions given by the author himself as a guide for interpretation must be strictly adhered to. It will not be permissible to take as a guide what subsequent writers have said on the subject.

With these important cautions in mind, we shall now approach the subject of Bharata's Shrutis and Swaras.

To begin with, says the author: "मध्यमग्रामे श्रुत्यपकृष्टः पंचमः कार्यः । पंचम श्रुत्युत्कर्षादपकर्षाद्वायदन्तरं मर्दवादायतत्त्वाद्वा तन्प्रमाणश्रुतिः । In fact, in this small sentence he lays down the definition or rather the measurement of his Shruti. He takes it for granted that his learned readers are practical musicians, who know the difference between the Panchama of his Shadja Grama and that of the Madhyama Grama. With that assumption, he further explains his method of fixing the Shrutis of his scale. The Sanskrit passage may be translated thus: "In the Madhyama-Grama, the 'Panchama' is lowered one shruti. This lowering of the Panchama to obtain the Madhyama Grama 'Panchama' or the raising of the Madhyama Grama 'panchama' by one shruti to obtain the Shadja Grama 'panchama' is the measure of a shruti."

निदर्शनं तातामसिव्याख्यास्यामः ।

Translation.—"The following examples will clearly indicate the position of the shrutis."

यथा द्वे वीणे तुल्यप्रमाणतन्त्र्युपवादनदण्डमूर्च्छने षड्ज ग्रामाश्रिते कार्ये ।

Translation.—"First let the vinas having wires, instruments of playing, wooden frame, and murchhanas be made of identical quality and let them both be tuned to the Shadja Grama scale." (Evidently he expects readers to know how to do it).

Now,

तयोरेकतरस्यां मध्यमग्रामिकीं कृत्वा पंचमस्यापकर्षे श्रुतिम् ।

Translation.—"Set one of the two Vinas to Madhyama Grama by lowering its 'panchama' one shruti only." (The reader as a practical musician is expected to know the lowered 'panchama').

तामेव पंचमवशात् षड्ज ग्रामिकीं कुर्यात्

Translation.—"The next step is to make this Madhyama-grama-vina a Shadja-grama-vina, not by restoring the lowered 'panchama' to its original pitch, but by taking it as a real Shadja-grama 'panchama' of four srutis." (In other words the author wishes the reader to lower all the other swaras of the scale, namely सा, रे, ग, म, घ, नि,

Thus, एवं (सा वीणा) श्रुतिरप कृष्टा भवति ।

Translation.—"The whole Madhyama-grama-vina after this would be lower than the other untouched shadja-grama-vina by one sruti."

Translation — "By repeating the same operation (i.e. by lowering the new madhyama-grama-vina 'panchama' one sruti and accepting the same as shadja grama 'panchama') the result would be

गांधारनिषादवन्तौ स्वरा इतरस्या धैवतर्षभा प्रविशतः द्विध्रुवधिकत्वात् ।

Translation — "The swaras 'Gandhara' and 'Nishada' would coincide with the 'Rishabha' and 'dhaivata' of the Shadja-grama-vina because they are only two srutis higher in pitch than the 'rishabha' and 'Dhaivata' "

पुनस्तद्वेवापकर्षाद्वैतर्षभावितरस्या पचम षड्जोप्रविशतः त्रिध्रुवधिकत्वात् ।

Translation — "Another similar operation and the 'dhaivata' and 'rishabha' of the 'Chala Vina' will enter, that is, will coincide with the 'panchama' and 'Shadja' of the untouched vina the distance between them being only three srutis (We know that according to all ancient writers the 'dhaivata' and 'rishabha' are only three srutis higher than the panchama and 'Shadja' respectively) तद्वत्पुनरप्यष्टायां तरया पचमम षमषड्ज इतरस्या मध्यम गांधार निषादवन्तः प्रवेक्ष्यति चतुः श्रुत्यधिकत्वात् ।

Translation — "One more repetition, and the 'panchama' 'Madhyama' and 'shadja' of the chala-vina will coincide with 'madhyama' 'gandhara' and 'nishada' of the 'achala-vina,' the distance between the two sets of swaras being only four srutis "

एवमनेन निदर्शनेन द्विमाभिकयो द्वाविंशतिः श्रुतयः प्रत्यवगन्तव्याः ।

Translation — "This illustration will clearly show the twenty two srutis of the two gramas the author expects the reader to locate the srutis and Swaras in the light of this explanation.)

If we assume our interpretation of the text to be correct it will appear that Bharata's reasoning is quite lucid and at the same time sufficiently simple. The following observations will make Bharata's view more clear. To begin with, Bharata says, that the two vinas are first to be tuned to the shadja grama scale. We will say there are only seven wires to represent the seven notes of the scale on each of the two vinas. Evidently then, seven wires are to be tuned to the seven correct notes of the shadja grama scale. I have already said that Bharata pre-supposes in his reader a perfect knowledge of the 'panchamas' of the two Gramas and an ability to tune the vinas according to the directions he proposes to give. When one of the vinas is to be made *Madhyama gramic*, all that he means is that the wire representing the 'panchama' in the shadja grama is to be slightly loosened so as to make it produce the 'panchama' of the madhyama, all other notes remaining in their original positions. The second direction of the author is most important. He directs the madhyama gramic vina to be

verted again into a shadja gramic vina, but he wants this to be done not by restoring the 'panchama' to its original pitch, but by accepting the changed 'panchama' as a proper 'panchama' for the new shadja gramic vina. Now we know that this can be accomplished only by lowering all the other notes of the vina by one sruti and that is what Bharata says will be the result. He says

“ एवं सा वीणा श्रुत्यपकृष्टा भवति । ”

Translation.—When the Chala-vina is thus made shadja gramic the pitch of 'Sa' will be three srutis, that of 'ri' will be six srutis, of 'ga' eight sruti and so forth. By repeating this process another series of srutis namely, two, five, seven, eleven, fifteen, eighteen, twenty will be discovered. But the 'ga' and 'Ni' of the Chala vina will now coincide with the 'ri' and 'dha' of the achala vina. On another repetition of the same process, the swaras 'sa', 'ma', 'pa' of the chala vina will coincide with the 'ni', 'ga' and 'ma' of the Dhruva or achala vina.

It will be readily conceded, I suppose that the process so elaborately described by Bharata will be possible only if the Sruti interval remained the same all through the octave. According to Bharata then, the sruti was a real unit of measurement in determining the ratio between the several Swaras. In other words, the ratio of the first to the second sruti was equal to the ratio between any two consecutive srutis. There are twenty two srutis in all and if we take the starting point to be the sruti of 'ni' in the lower octave, and as equal to 1, then the twenty-second sruti, that is of the higher 'ni' would be 2. There being twenty-two equal intervals between the higher and the lower 'ni' each interval would be equal to the twenty-second root of 2.

I do not claim any originality for this explanation of Bharata's srutis. The view was submitted before the first All-India Music Conference by a learned scholar of my part of the country, namely the late Mr. V. V. Phadke, retired first class subordinate judge, in the year 1916. The view appeals to me, and I have therefore, thought it proper to place it before my readers. The late Pandit Abraham of Tanjore also read a paper before the first All-India Music Conference at Baroda on the srutis of Sharangdeva Pandit, and showed that no scale in which the srutis were taken as unequal could under any circumstances be accepted as Sharangdeva's shuddha scale. The Pandit's paper is now printed and published, and I shall not write about it here.

The chief object of these articles is to place before the readers a comparative analysis of the different Sanskrit works on Indian Music written at different times, in order that such comparison should help in the determination of a suitable system for our present Hindustani Music.

In dealing with the Sanskrit texts, I propose, as I said before, to give in each case the following details —

- (1) The name and place of the author, so far as can be traced
- (2) The probable date of the work
- (3) The explanation of the Srutis and Swaras as explained in the treatise
- (4) The Thatas, if any, used for the classification of the Ragas
- (5) The Janya Ragas and their classification under the Thatas
- (6) General remarks

In some cases charts showing the positions of the Srutis and Swaras will be given for ready reference

RAGA TARANGINI

The author of this work is Lochana Pandit. He lived some where in the Mithila district. The date of the work as given by the author himself is as follows.

भुजबसुदधितशाके श्रीमद्दहालसेनाग्यादी ।
वर्षैकषाष्टिमोगे पुनयस्त्वात् विशाखाया ॥

According to this, the date works out at Shaka year 1082. Some of our music scholars are of opinion that the date is more or less doubtful, and in support of their view they rely on the following internal evidence supplied by the work. Lochana Kavi quotes from another poet Vidyapati, who, it is believed, lived about the end of the fourteenth century A.D. The late Raja S. M. Tagore in his Universal History of Music tells us that Vidyapati was in the service of Shiva Singh the Raja of Mithila in the latter half of the fourteenth century A.D. Copper plate evidence also goes to show that a Rajah of Mithila named Shiva Singh gave a jahagir to the poet Vidyapati in the year 1399 A.D. Unless it can be proved that this Vidyapati is not the same as that from whom Lochana quotes, we must uphold the contention of the scholars. Another point these scholars lay stress on is that Lochana in his Tarangini mentions clearly named Ragas like 'Imam' and 'Farodasi', which ragas, they argue, could not have become so popular about the Shaka year 1082 when work purports to have been written. Lochana in the above sloka gives some astronomical details, but as I have not been able to ascertain what the reference really means, I am unable to fix the date for

them. Hrdaya Narayana Deva, the author of Hrdaya Prakasa and Hrdaya Koutuka quotes from the Tarangini. These two last named treatises, were written about the year 1660 A.D.

We shall now go into the subject matter of the Tarangini. Lochana, after giving the divisions of Gita as Nibaddha and Anibaddha at once takes up the question of the Srutis. In common with all his predecessors, he recognises twenty two srutis, to the scale, with their well-known names Tivra, Kumudvati, etc. The distribution of srutis among the seven shuddha swaras, as चतुश्चतुश्चैव पञ्चमध्यमपञ्चमाः । ६० is also accepted by him. The swara becomes manifest on its last sruti. The accompanying chart will show at a glance how he places his swaras on his twenty two srutis.

Chart Showing the Shuddha and Vikrita Swaras of the Raga Tarangini.

Shrutis.	Shuddha swaras.	Vikrits swaras.	Shrutis.	Shuddha swaras.	Vikrits swaras.
१. तीव्रा			१२. प्रीती	...	(तीव्रतम गांधार)
२. कुमुद्वती			१३. मर्जनी	शुद्ध मध्यम	अति तीव्रतम गांधार
३. मन्दा			१४. क्षिती		
४. छन्दोवती	शुद्ध षड्ज		१५. रक्ता	...	तीव्रतर म
५. दयावती			१६. सन्दीपिनी		
६. रंजनी	...	कोमल ऋषभ	१७. आलापिनी	शुद्ध पंचम	
७. रक्तिका	शुद्ध ऋषभ		१८. मदन्ती		
८. रौद्री			१९. रोहिणी	...	
९. क्रोधी	शुद्ध गांधार		२०. रम्या	शुद्ध धैवत	कोमल धैवत
१०. वज्रिका	...	(तीव्र गांधार)	२१. उग्रा		
११. प्रसारिणी	...	तीव्रतर गांधार	२२. क्षोमिणी	शुद्ध निषाद	
१. तीव्रा	...	(तीव्र निषाद)	२. कुमुद्वती	...	तीव्रतर निषाद=काकळी
३. मन्दा	...	(तीव्रतम निषाद)			

(For detailed explanation, the reader is requested to refer to the translation which follows).

रागतारंगिणी स्वरसंज्ञा प्रकरणम् ।
स्वस्वशेषश्रुतिं त्यक्त्वा यदा ऋषभ धैवतौ ।
गीयेते गुणिभिः सर्वैस्तदा तौ विकृतौ मतौ ॥

Translation.—When the notes 'ri' or 'dha' are played or sung on their penultimate srutis, literally when they give up their last srutis,

they are supposed by experts to have become komal ri and Komal dha, (flat 'ri' and flat 'dha').

Observation.—Shuddha ri and shuddha dha are the sounds of the seventh and twentieth srutis respectively in the ordinary twenty two sruti scale. Komal ri and komal dha therefore, will be the sounds of the sixth and the nineteenth srutis. The Orthodox view has always been that a shuddha swara manifests itself on its last sruti

शृङ्गाति मध्यमस्यापि गंधारः प्रथमां युतिम् ।

यदा तदा त्रैवेदं तीव्रं द्वायमिर्धायते ॥

Translation —When Gandhara stands on the first sruti of Madhyama it is said by the experts to become 'tivra' or sharp

Observation.—The srutis between shuddha 'ga' and shuddha 'ma' are four, the fourth being the sound of the shuddha 'ma'. The gandhara therefore could move up four srutis, right upto the place occupied by the shuddha 'ma'. It will be carefully noted that the note 'ri' only became komal but not tivra. The note gandhara again, only moved up and became tivra, but was not allowed to go back and become komal.

द्वितीयामपि चेदेव तदा तीव्रतरः स्मृतः ।

तृतीयामपि चेदेवतदतीव्रतमः स्मृतः ।

चतुर्थीमपि चेदेवंततीव्रतमः स्मृतः ॥

Translation —When gandhara stands on the second sruti of madhyama, it becomes tivratara 'ga' and when it stands on the third sruti of that note it becomes tivratama 'ga'. When again it rises up to the fourth or last sruti of 'ma' it becomes at-tivratama 'ga'.

Observation.—A glance at the sruti swara chart will show that at-tivratama 'ga' and shuddha 'ma' are identically the same sound. The object of giving two different names to the same note will be clear when we examine the definitions of the ragas later on.

षष्ठस्य च निशादधेदं शृङ्गाति प्रथमां युतिम् ।

तदा सर्गातिभिः सोऽपि तीव्रद्वयमिर्धायते ॥

द्वितीयामपि चेदेव तदा तीव्रतरः स्मृतः ।

तृतीयामपि चेदेव तदा तीव्रतमः स्मृतः ॥

Translation —When nishada takes the first sruti of shadja, it becomes tivra nishada, according to those who are learned in music. When nishada takes the second sruti of shadja, it becomes tivratara 'ni' and when it takes the third sruti of shadja, it becomes, tivratama ni.

Observation.—It will be observed that although the distance of the shuddha shadja above the nishada is four srutis, the rise of nishada is only through three srutis. Shadja and panchama do not under any circumstances, take the names of their respective preceeding notes. It will be remembered that gandhara could rise up to the fourth sruti of maddhayama, and become ati-tivratama 'ga'. There are four srutis between 'ma' and 'pa', but ma could rise only upto the third sruti of 'pa' and become tivra 'ma' tivratara 'ma' and tivratama 'ma'. There is no ati-tivratama 'ma'.

षड्जस्य द्वे श्रुती गृह्णन् निषादः काकली स्मृतः ।

तान्नितरे निषादैव गेयाः सैव विचक्षयैः ॥

Translation.—When nishads takes two srutis of shadja, it is also called Kakali nishada. It should be sung in the place of tivratama nishada.

Observation.—Kakali is a well-known swara name in the southern music system. Kakali nishada corresponds with the tivra nishada of the Hindusthani system. Sadharana 'ga' Antar 'ga', Kaishika 'ni', and Kakali 'ni', are now universally understood to mean komal 'ga' tivra 'ga', komal 'ni', and tivra 'ni', of the Hindusthani system. The important question before us will now be what was the shuddha Thata of the Raga Tarangini? The answer will be it was no other than the Kafi Thata of our current Hindusthani music system. The shuddha 'ga' and shuddha 'ni' of Lochana Pandita are the Hindusthani komal 'ga' and komal 'ni'. The conclusive evidence, however, on this point will be seen when we come to discuss the Thata definitions. The shuddha Thata of the Tarangini could never be our modern Bilawala Thata, because, the tivra 'ga' and tivra 'ni' necessary in the Bilawala scale are vikrita notes according to the Tarangini. Then again it will be noted that the notes 'ri' and 'dha' become komal 'ri' and komal 'dha'.

Lochana Pandita lays down the following twelve Thatas and then classifies his 'janya' ragas under them :—

(१) भैरवी	(५) केदार	(९) घनाश्री
(२) तोड़ी	(६) इमन	(१०) पूर्वा
(३) गौरी	(७) सारंग	(११) मुखारी
(४) कर्णाट	(८) मेघ	(१२) दीपक

These Thatas are described by the author as follows :—

(1) BHAIRAVI.

शुद्धाः सप्तस्वरा रम्बया वादनीयाः प्रयुक्ततः ।

तेन वादनमात्रेण भैरवी जायते शुभा ॥

Translation—The seven shuddha swaras should be carefully sung or played and the moment that is done the Thata called Bhairavi will be produced

Observation—This definition of the Bhairavi Thata will no doubt cause surprise. The Bhairavi Thata known to the student of Hindusthani Music takes komal 'ri' and komal 'dha' that of Lochana is the Kafi Thata. The Bhairavi mela of the southern system takes 'ri' tivra and 'dha' komal of the Hindusthani system. Lochana evidently knew the southern practice as well. Because in the next verse he says —

अन्ये तु भैरवी रागे धैवतं कोमलं विदुः ।
तदशुद्धं यत्तस्मादङ्गं नायं रागाऽनुरजकः ॥

Translation—Others use a komal dhavata in the Bhairavi raga I know, but that is incorrect. Bhairavi with a komal dhavata will not be pleasing

(2) TODY

शुद्धाः सप्तस्वराः शर्वा र्थि तेषु च कोमलौ ।
तोडी सुरागिणो ज्ञेया ततो गायकनायकः ॥

Translation—Take the seven shuddha swaras again. Make 'ri' and dha komal and the resulting Thata will be Todi. It should be sung as such by the singer

Observation—The Todi Thata of all ancient Sanskrit writers corresponds with our modern Bhairavi Thata of the Hindusthani system. Any of our southern friends will confirm this statement. The Todi Thata of the southern system is even now the same as our modern Bhairavi Thata. This verse proves that the shuddha scale of Lochana was our modern kafi Thata, because the Kafi Thata could easily be converted into the Todi Thata, our modern Bhairavi by making 'ri' and 'dha' komal

(3) GOURI

एवं सति च गांधारी द्वे शुद्धौ मध्यमस्य चैव ।
गृह्णाति काकली निःस्यात्तदा गौरी प्रवर्तते ॥

Translation—If in the last mentioned Todi Thata, the note gandhara takes two srutis of maddhyama, and the note nishada becomes Kakali, the resulting Thata will be Goun

Observation—The Gouri Thata of the ancient writers is universally admitted to correspond with our modern Bhairava Thata. Here again we have further proof to show that the Shuddha Thata of Lochana was our Kafi

(4) KARNAT.

शुद्धाः सप्त स्वरास्तेषु गंधारो मध्यमस्य चेत् ।

गृह्णाति द्वे श्रुती गीता कर्णादी जायते तदा ॥

Translation.—If you take the shuddha swara scale of seven notes and raise gandhara therein by two srutis, the resulting Thata will be Karnat.

Observation.—The Karnat Thata will be the modern Khamaj Thata of our Hindusthani system in which all notes except the nishada are shuddha.

(5) KEDARA.

एवं सति निषादश्चेत् काकली भवतिस्फुटम् ।

वीणायां व्यक्तिमाधत्त केदारसंस्थितिस्तदा ॥

Translation.—If in the Karnat scale, the nishada becomes Kakali the vina will produce the Thata known as Kedara.

Observation.—The Kedara Thata of the Tarangani will correspond with our modern Bilawal scale.

(6) IMAN.

एवं सति च संस्थाने मध्यमः पंचमस्य चेत् ।

गृह्णाति द्वे श्रुती राग ईमनो जायते तदा ॥

Translation.—If in the last mentioned Kedara Thata the madhyama takes two srutis of panchama, the resulting Thata will be Iman.

Observation.—This is exactly our modern Yaman Thata of the Hindusthani system. The only difference is that the modern Hindusthani musician uses the swara names tivra 'ga' tivra 'ni' and tivra 'ma' in place of Lochana's Tivratara 'ga' tivratara 'ni' and tivratara 'ma'.

(7) SARANG. (A)

एवं सति च गंधारः शुद्धमध्यमतां व्रजेत् ।

धश्च शुद्ध निषादः स्यात् सरंगो जायते तदा ॥

Translation.—If in the Iman Thata just described, the Ga coincides with the shuddha maddhyama and the dhaivata takes the place of the shuddha, nishada the scale produced would be the Saranga Thata.

Observation.—The Gandhara which stands in the place of shuddha 'ma' would be called ati tivratama 'ga' and the dhaivata standing in the place of shuddha nishada would be called tivratara 'dha'. In ancient music, two notes of the same denomination were not allowed to appear in the same scale. Hence the use of the atitivrata

'ga' for shuddha 'ma' The Saranga scale was to be formed from the Imam, and this last already had the tivra 'ma' in it

(8) MEGHA

धनिषादौ च शार्ङ्गस्य वर्णाटस्य गमौ यदि ।
मवेतां रागराजस्यो मेघरागः प्रजायते ॥

Translation —In the Megha Thata the dhavata and nishada, will be those of Saranga, and the gandhara and maddhyama will be the same as used in the Karnat Thata

Observation —The retention of dhavata and nishada of Saranga merely means that both nishadas have to be used in the megha scale. The 'ga' and 'ma' of Karnat would mean tivratara 'ga' and shuddha 'ma' practically. In the Saranga Thata there were two maddhyamas (tivra and komal), but no gandhara. The ati-tivratama 'ga' was only another name for Shuddha 'ma'. The difference, therefore, between the Megha and Saranga scales, will be clearly seen. Our modern shuddha 'dha' of the Kafi Thata does not appear in the Megha scale

(9) DHANASRI

ऋषभः कोमलो गस्तु द्वेयुती मध्यमस्यचन्द्र ।
गृह्णाति द्वे युती मध्य पञ्चमस्य विशेषतः ॥
धैवतः कोमलो निश्च नृजस्य द्वे युती यदा ।
गृह्णाति रागिणा रम्या धनाश्रिर्जायते तदा ॥

Translation —When nishabha becomes komal and gandhara takes two srutis of maddhyama, when maddhyama takes two srutis of panchama when dhavata becomes komal and the nishada takes two srutis of the shadja, the beautiful scale known as Dhanashri is the result

Observation —This scale is the same as that of our Puriya Dhanashri. It is well-known that in this Hindusthani scale, the 'ri' and 'dha' are komal, and 'ga' 'ma' and 'ni' are tivra

(10) PURVA

इमं स्वर मर्यादं निषादप्रथमा युतिम् ।
गृह्णाति धैवतर्क्षया पूर्वायाः स्वरसंस्थितिः ॥

Translation —In the Purva thata, all the notes of the Imam thata with the exception of the Dhavata are to be retained. The dhavata is to be raised one sruti

Observation —In this scale then we have 'sa', 'ri', 'ga', 'ma', 'pa', all of the Imam Thata and komal 'ni' which will be called tivra

'dha' by Lochana. No such scale appears to be in use in the music system of Western India at present. But there is one like it in the Southern system and is known there by the name of Chitrambari.

(11) MUKHARI.

शुद्धाः सप्तस्वरास्तेषु धैवतः कोमलो भवेत् ।

वीणायां जायते शुद्धा मुखारी संस्थितिस्तदा ॥

Translation.—If in the shuddha swara scale the dhaivata becomes komal, the resulting scale will be called shuddha Mukhari, or Mukhari.

Observation.—This scale will correspond with the modern Hindusthani Asawari Thata or according to some the Jaunpuri Thata. The Southern scale answering this description would be Nata Bhairavi. There is a Mukhari scale in the Southern system also but it materially differs from Lochana's Mukhari.

(12) DEEPAKA.

The author gives no definition of this Thata. He simply says:—

सर्वैर्मिलित्वा लेख्यः ।

This shows that the Raga Deepaka had already gone out of use. Lochana says, if the Raga has to be revived, its features should be settled by the best living experts, evidently in a Conference.

Quaere.—What becomes of the usually told story that the raga deepaka was sung by Miya Tansen with disastrous results to himself in Akbar's Court.

The twelve thatas of Lochana with their swaras may be written in terms of the Hindusthani swara names thus.

- (१) भैरवी—सा, री शुद्ध, ग कोमल, म शुद्ध, प शुद्ध, ध शुद्ध, नि कोमल ।
- (२) तोड़ी—सा, री कोमल, ग कोमल, म शुद्ध, प शुद्ध, ध कोमल, नि कोमल ।
- (३) भौरी—सा, री कोमल, ग शुद्ध, म शुद्ध, प शुद्ध, ध कोमल, नि शुद्ध ।
- (४) कर्णाट—सा, री शुद्ध, ग शुद्ध, म शुद्ध, प शुद्ध, ध शुद्ध, नि कोमल ।
- (५) केदार—सा, री शुद्ध, ग शुद्ध, म शुद्ध, प शुद्ध, ध शुद्ध, नि शुद्ध ।
- (६) इमन—सा, री शुद्ध, ग शुद्ध, म त्रिवि, प शुद्ध, ध शुद्ध, नि शुद्ध ।
- (७) सारंग—सा, री शुद्ध, म शुद्ध, & त्रिवि, प शुद्ध, ×, नि कोमल & शुद्ध ।
- (८) मेघ—सा, री शुद्ध, ग शुद्ध, म शुद्ध, प शुद्ध, ×, नि कोमल & शुद्ध ।
- (९) पृथ्वी—सा, री शुद्ध, ग शुद्ध, म त्रिवि, प शुद्ध, ×, नि कोमल & शुद्ध ।
- (१०) धनाश्री—सा, री कोमल, ग शुद्ध, म त्रिवि, प शुद्ध, ध कोमल, नि शुद्ध ।
- (११) मुखारी—सा, री शुद्ध, ग कोमल, म शुद्ध, प शुद्ध, ध कोमल, नि कोमल ।
- (१२) दीपक—Nil.

The author classifies his seventy-five 'janya' ragas under these *Thatas* as follows—

- (१) मैत्री—मैत्री, नीलांबरी ।
- (२) तोड़ी—तोड़ी ।
- (३) गीरी—मालव, धीमोरी, चैतणीरी, पद्मोरी गीरी, देवी तोड़ी, देवगौरी, गीरा, त्रिवण, मुलतानी, धनाभी, वसन्त, मैत्र, विमान, रामकली, गुजरी, बहली, रेवा, मटियाग, खट, मालवपंचम, जयतभी, आमावरी, देवगौरी, मिन्धी आमावरी, गुणकरी ।
- (४) कर्णोद—कर्णोद, वामीशरी, खम्माच, सोरठ, पारज, माक, जयजयवन्ती, हृष्टन, कामोद, केदार, मालवकौशिक, हिंदोल, हृष्यारि, अढाणा, गाराकनडा, भंगग ।
- (५) केदार—केदारनाड, आमीरनाड, खवात्री, संकतामरण, विदामा, ईंदी, श्याम, छायावद, भूपाली, मीमपलामी, कौशिक, माक ।
- (६) इमन—इमन, शुद्धकल्याण, पूरिया, जयकल्याण ।
- (७) सारंग—सारंग, पटमजरी, विदावनी, सामन्तनाग, बडईम, ।
- (८) मेघ—मेघमङ्गार, गौडसारंग, बिलावल, अहिया, शुद्धसुद, देग, शुद्धनाड ।
- (९) धनाभी—धनाभी, ललित ।
- (१०) पुरी—पुरी ।
- (११) मुसारी—मुसारी ।
- (१२) दीपक—Nil.

It will be observed that all these janya ragas of the Tarangini are known to the Hindusthani musicians of the present day. The *grantha* therefore should be of the greatest historical importance to them. It is interesting to note how many of these janya ragas have changed their swaras during the Mohamedan regime. Some of the ragas seem to have retained their original *Thatas* even to this day. The author does not give any detailed definition of the janya ragas because I believe the work *Tarangini* is essentially a book on prosody and not on Music. As to the tunes assigned for the singing of these ragas the author says as follows :—

अर्वाचानं गानमयाः ।

मामे मुहने गावन्त्यो मैत्रीं रागमयमः ।

अद्वेदपवेदायां मेघा रागकली पुनः ॥

मार्जवैलावली मेघा पुरादि हृमगेऽपि च ।

पुरादि कति गावन्त्यो ठोडिमति मनीहृगम् ॥

छन्दोदां बतारी च मेघा गायकनादकेः ।

रिवा तुर्वयि दहरे गावन्त्यामावरीं जनेः ॥

कादी मय्यान्मनये सरगोऽपि च गीयते ।

अपठके नयो ह्यस्तद्वत् गावन्त्यु मादवप ॥

अपराहावसाने वा सायान्ने सति याति वा ।
 सायंकालस्तु कालो वै गौरारागस्य भूतले ॥
 निशागृहे तु कल्याणः केदारस्तु महानिशि ।
 द्वितीयग्रहे रात्रौ कर्णाटः सर्वसंमतः ॥
 तृतीयग्रहे रात्रावदानोऽपि च गायते ।
 अपराह्णेपि सौरान्द्रः प्रसूतं संगवेऽपि च ॥
 पंचमो मेघसंचारे मङ्गारः परिकीर्तितः ।

These times of singing throw a good deal of light on the modern classifications of the Hindusthani ragas. The following times for instance will attract particular attention of the Hindusthani Musician.

BHAIRAVA & RAMAKALI.—To be sung in the early morning.

GOURI.—To be sung in the evening.

BILAWALI.—To be sung in the first quarter of the day.

KALYAN.—To be sung in the first quarter of the night.

TODI and SUHA.—To be sung in the forenoon.

SARANG.—To be sung at midday.

KANADA.—To be sung at midnight.

ADANA.—To be sung in the third quarter of the night.

MEGHA.—To be sung in the rainy season.

Lochana has also included in the Tarangini a small chapter on Raga mixtures,

(सकलदेश साधारण गुणिगण प्रसिद्ध रागसंकराः)

which also deserves attention.

HRDAYA KOUTUKA AND HRDAYA PRAKASHA

These are two small but interesting treatises. The name of the author is Hridaya Naraindeva. He describes himself as follows :—

“ इति गडादेशनरेश श्री हृदयसाहि विरचितं हृदय कौतुकम् ”

No date is given in the book by the author, but we can fix an approximate date for the author with the help of some other works. In the Hridaya Koutuka, the swara prakarana we find is borrowed bodily from the Raga Tarangini. That means that the work was written some time after the fifteenth century. Dr. Sukthankar, late of the Archaeological Survey, India, at my request tried to ascertain the date of Hridaya Narain and found that the last named ruler, ruled in Gada desha about the Samvat year 1724, i.e. A.D. 1660. The great importance of Hridaya's works lies in the way he fixes the exact places of his shuddha and vikrita swaras. He describes these in terms of the lengths of the

sounding string of his Vina. The relative pitches of those notes therefore could be easily fixed with mathematical accuracy. Ahobala Pandita the author of the Sangeeta Panjara has also done it, but we are not sure whether he copied from Hridaya's book or vice versa.

We shall now proceed to the swara prakarama of Hridaya Koutuka thus.

स्वरशेषश्रुति त्यक्त्वा यदा क्रयमधीवती ।
 गीयते गुणिभिः सर्वैस्तदा ती कामली मती ॥
 गृह्णाति मध्यमस्यापि साधतः प्रथमा श्रुतिम् ।
 यदा तदा जर्जरं तां हत्यभिधीयते ॥
 द्वितीयापि चेदेव तदा तीव्रतः स्मृतः ।
 तृतीयापि चेदेव तदा तीव्रतमः स्मृतः ॥
 चतुर्थ्यापि चेदेवमतितीव्रतमः स्मृतः ।
 अनितीव्रतमो गृह्णतु सांगे परिगीयते ॥
 षड्जरस्य च निषादश्चेद् गृह्णाति प्रथमा श्रुतिम् ।
 तदा संगतिभिः सांगे तीव्रं हत्यभिधीयते ॥
 द्वितीयापि चेदेव तदा तीव्रतः स्मृतः ।
 तृतीयापि चेदेव तदा तीव्रतमः स्मृतः ॥
 षड्जरस्य द्वे श्रुती गृह्णन् निषादः काकली स्मृतः ।
 तीव्रतो निषादेव गेया सा च विचक्षणैः ॥

these slokas have been taken by the author from the Raga Tarangini of Lochana and as they have already been translated, it is not necessary to further discuss them here. Hridayesha invents a new raga and calls it Hridaya-rama. He uses two new swaras in it, namely, tri-sruti 'ma' and tri-sruti 'ni' and lays down a new Thata for the raga containing these new notes. He says —

रागिणः हृदयेशेन या हृदयरमेति ।
 उता तदनुगोपेन श्रियतिस्तदा प्रयोदशी ॥

Translation.—Hridaya having introduced an altogether new raga under the name of Hridaya-rama has also added a new Thata to the ancient twelve

The ancient twelve Thatas he takes from the Raga Tarangini. We have already gone through them and shall not repeat them. About the Deepaka Thata, the author says *डाड्यकर्णे दीपकं सगंधनं ऐक्यम्*. This shows that Deepaka Raga was not sung also in his time. It follows a fanciful division of Ragas into four classes

एतासु सकला रागा जायन्ते वादनक्रमाः ।

ब्राह्मणाः क्षत्रिया वैश्याः शूद्रास्ते स्युःश्चतुर्विधाः ॥

संपूर्णा ब्राह्मणाः प्रोक्ताः क्षत्रियाः पाडवा मताः ॥

औडुवाः कथिता वैश्याः शूद्रास्तदितरे क्वचित् ॥

The jānya ragas are fully described in the Hrdaya koutuka. The sloka defining a raga, gives not only the 'varjyavarjya' swaras of it, but also gives its swara-swarupa.

Thus.

गमौ पनी धनी सोरिः सनिसा रिगमाः पधौ ।

मपौ सरी सनिधपा मपौ गम-गमा रिसौ ।

हंमीररागराजन्यः संपूर्णः कथितो बुधैः ॥

गमौधसौ सधपगा रिगौ रिसधपा धसौ ।

रिगौ रिगरिसाश्चैव भूपाली कथितौडुवी ॥

गमौ पनी सनिधपा मगौ सरिसगाश्च मः ।

खंवावती च संपूर्णा कथ्यते गायकोत्तमैः ॥

सरी गमौ पधनिसा रिसौ धपगमा रिसौ ।

पधौ निसौ च संपूर्णा प्रोक्ता वेलावली बुधैः ॥

This is really a very useful method of describing a raga. I have made use of it in one of my publications on the Hnidusthani ragas.

HRDAYA—PRAKASHA.

This is another work by the same author. It is much more interesting than the Koutuka. In this book the author describes the position of the shuddha and vikrita swaras in terms of the lengths of the sounding strings of the Vina. The classification of the ragas also is instructive and more scientific. Ahobala in his Sangeet Parijata also, describes his swaras in terms of the lengths of the sounding string as we shall see hereafter. But we do not know whether he got that idea from Hrdaya's book. Some scholars on the contrary suspect that Hrdaya took the idea from Ahobala. There is no reliable evidence on the point but there are two facts which may lend some colour to the last mentioned suspicion. Hrdaya in his Koutuka omits to fix the positions of his shuddha and vikrita swaras in terms of the lengths of the strings. And secondly, Sangeeta Parijata is a much more elaborate work than the Hrdaya Prakasha. All will depend therefore upon the question whether or not the Parijat was written before the Prakasha.

We shall now consider some of the leading features of the Prakasha. The author begins by saying :—

संगीतशास्त्रमर्चस्वममाधारणगोचरम् ।
 वाणादौ रागमैलादिहृदयेन कल्पते ॥
 आकरं चत्वारो मेलः द्वादशोपयोगिनः ।
 मेलः स्वरमृदः स्याद्रागव्यञ्जनशक्तिमान् ॥

Translation—The secrets of the science of music being intelligible only to the specially gifted, Hridaya proposes to explain them with the help of the Vina. There are innumerable melas or Thatas, described in the Ocean of Music but only twelve of these are useful here. A Thata is a collection of notes capable of producing ragas.

Observation—Ahobala Pandita has mentioned thousands of Thatas in his Sangeeta Parijata. We wonder whether the word "akara" is cunningly used to hint at those

स्वर प्रकरणम् ॥

स्वास्व पङ्क्तिरूपमौ गांधारी मध्यमस्तथा ।
 पचमो धैवतश्चैव निषाद इति मम ते ॥
 द्विध्रुतिगोनिषादश्च प्रत्येकं त्रिध्रुती रिधौ ।
 चतुःध्रुतिममायुक्ताः पूर्ववत्समपाः स्मृताः ।
 स्वांश्रुतिस्थिता शुद्धाः स्युरग्ये विकृताः स्वराः ॥

All this represents the universally accepted view, and we need hardly discuss it.

ध्रुतिमाधादि तुर्याताः स्वरा ये चोर्ध्ववर्तिनः ।
 तौत्रस्तीनतरस्तीव्रतमा भवति हि क्रमात् ॥
 श्रोपांश्रुतिवर्ती तु कोमलः परिर्ध्ववर्तितः ।

Translation—The vikṛta swaras are produced when the shuddha swaras rise through one, two, three or four srutis. When the shuddha note rises one sruti, it becomes, tivra, when it rises two srutis it becomes tivratara, when it rises three srutis it becomes tivratama, when it is lowered one sruti, it becomes Komal.

Observation—The process is the same as described in the Koutuka. It is this process which distinguishes the northern music system from the southern. In the southern system the shuddha swara is the lowest position of the note and the vikṛtas are its higher positions. In the northern system, we have the vikṛtas on both sides of the shuddha note. In other words the shuddha note occupies the central position.

निस्तमितस्तप्तस्तु काण्ठीलापे कल्पते ॥
 सपयोर्येदि गृह्णीतन्निगस्त्रियः ध्रुतः निर्धमः ।
 मृदुगो मृदुपथेति तदग्न्ये सपयोर्येति ॥

Translation.—The note tivratara nishada is also called Kakali; when the notes 'ni' and 'ma' take the three srutis of 'sa' and 'pa' respectively, they are called mridu 'sa' and mridu 'pa'.

The स्वर संज्ञा प्रकरण practically ends here. The author next explains the terms vadi, samvadi, anuvadi, and vivadi.

प्रयोगो बहुधा यस्य स स्याद्वादो नृपोपमः ।
ययोर्मित्रेयुः श्रुतयो द्वादशाष्टयवान्तरे ॥
मित्रः संवादिनौ तौ स्तौ राज्ञः सचिवसन्निभौ ।
विवादो रक्तिविच्छेदो शत्रुतुल्यः स कीर्तितः ॥
अनुवादो तटस्थो यः किंकरप्रतिमः स्वरः ।
सपौ रिधौ मध्यमसौ निगौ संवादिनो मित्रः ॥

Translation.—The note most frequently used in a raga, which it like the king of the raga, is called 'Vadi'. Samvadi stands at a distance of eight or twelve srutis from the vadi. It is like a minister to the raja of the raga. Vivadi destroys the beauty of the raga and is therefore called the enemy. Anuvadi is neutral, and is compared to the servant. The following pairs of notes are samvadis to each other. Sa, pa; ri, dha; ga, ni; and ma, sa;

Then we come to an important point and it is this :

द्वौ त्रयो वापि चत्वारः स्युस्ताना रजकस्वराः ।
पञ्चाधैरथ रागः स त्रिधा पञ्चमिरौद्वहः ॥
षड्भिः स्वरैः पाडवः स्यात्संपूर्णः सप्तभिः स्वरैः ॥

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Observation.—It is an accepted rule of Indian music that a raga should have at least five notes पञ्चोनेभ्यः स्वरैभ्यश्च नस्य । द्वागस्य संभवः । A tana may have any number of swaras.

Then follows the most important portion of the work, namely the location of swaras on the sounding wire of the vina. It will be useful to have the sruti swara chart before you in order to follow the details of the next few slokas.

ध्वन्यवच्छिन्नदीर्घायांमध्ये तारकसंस्थितिः ।
त्र्यंशिनस्याद्यभागाति मध्यमस्य च पञ्चमम् ॥

Translation—Exactly in the centre of the wire (that portion of the wire which is capable of producing sound) will stand the tara shadja. If the whole wire is divided into three equal parts, the panchama of the middle octave will stand at the end of the first part.

Observation—Supposing the whole length of the speaking wire of the vina to be thirty-six inches, then the Tara 'sa' will be eighteen inches from either end, the pancham will be 12 ins from the meru, and 24 ins from the 'ghodi' (bridge). The whole length will produce the *fundamental note or mandra 'sa'*.

मध्यम षड्जयोगेन सप्तमोर्मध्यमानयेत् ।

अशिनस्य तयोर्मध्यस्यापाशान्ते तथारंभम् ॥

Translation—The maddhyama of the middle octave will be exactly between the two shadjas. The shuddha gandhara will stand exactly between 'sa' and 'pa'. If the distance between 'sa' and 'pa' be divided into three equal parts, then the shuddha rishabha, will stand at the end of the first part.

Observation—In the vina wire of thirty-six inches, therefore, the maddhyama of the middle octave will be at a distance of nine inches from the meru, and twenty-seven inches from the lower bridge or ghodi. The shuddha gandhara will stand exactly between 'sa' and 'pa', that is to say, it will be six inches from the meru and thirty-inches from the ghodi. If the distance between 'sa' and 'pa', (which is twelve inches) be divided into three parts, the shuddha rishabha will be at the end of the first part. It will, therefore, be four inches distant from the meru and thirty-two inches from the "ghodi."

तर्ध्वं धैवतं मध्ये सप्तमो रथापयेद्वृधः ।

तत्र मागद्वयं त्यक्त्वा निषादः स्वर नयेत् ॥

Translation—The shuddha dhaivata ought to be placed in the interval between 'pa' and tara 'sa'. If the distance between the 'pa' and tara 'sa', be divided into three parts, the shuddha nishad will come at the end of the second part.

Observation—The description of the place of the dhaivata, has led to some hot controversy among the scholars. No doubt the description at first sight appears somewhat loose, but the author furnishes the reader later on with the key to the difficulty. He says.

स्वर ज्ञान विह्वलितो मागोऽप्य बोधितो मया ।

स्वरमवादिता ज्ञान स्वरस्थापनकावचम् ॥

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स्वरसंवादिता ज्ञाने स्वरस्थापनकारणम् ॥
षड्जपञ्चममात्रेण षड्जमेया. स्वरानुधेः ॥

Translation.—I have adopted this simple method of locating the swaras in the interests of those who have not a good swara-dhyana. The exact places of the swaras, have to be fixed with the help of सप्तवादिनां गान. It must always be remembered that the swaras in my shadja grama (shuddha scale) must stand in samvadi relationship. He means to say that the swaras in the 'uttarang' of the scale must be the samvadis or the fifths of those in the purvanga.)

Observation.—This explanation of the author easily solves the difficulty. The shuddha dhaivata which is to be placed between panchama and tara 'sa' will have to be so placed that it will stand as a proper samvadi or the fifth to the shuddha rishabha. The shuddha rishabha has already been definitely fixed and so there will be no difficulty in fixing the position of the shuddha dhaivata. The reason why the author could not fix the exact length of the wire for the dhaivata appears to be that he could not obtain a convenient division of the string for that swara. We see that he has adopted the simplest way of dividing the wire into two or three parts. Such a division would not have given him the right place of the shuddha dhaivata. He knew that his reader could easily determine the position of the dhaivata with the help of the shuddha rishabha, dhaivata being the samvadi of the rishabha.

The shuddha scale of Lochana and Hridaya may be correctly expressed in terms of the lengths of the speaking wire and in the number of comparative vibrations as follows.

Note	Length of the wire.	Comparative vibrations.
sa	36	240
ri	32	270
ga	30	288
ma	27	320
pa	24	360
dha	21½	405
ni	20	432
sa	18	480

This is exactly the modern Kafi Thata of the Hindusthani musicians. The author of Koutuka and Prakasha has laid the whole of the Indian Music loving world under obligation to him for this clear exposition of the scale. As I said, however, the great question remains whether he copied all this from the Sangeet Parijata of Ahobala Pandit. The Parijata is a much more elaborate treatise and strikes the reader as an older treatise than the Prakasha. But until, some conclusive evidence is forthcoming on the point, we may reserve our judgement.

daya deals with his vikṛta swaras in the following verses —

मग्नयोदिते मध्ये मेरो कणमयं त्रिनः ।
 भागद्वयोत्तरं मेरोः कुर्यात् कौमलस्वरम् ॥
 मध्वतयोर्मध्ये त्रिजगाधारमाचरेत् ।
 मग्नयत्रिंशद्विंशतमत् त्रिजगाधारपट्टजयोः ॥
 पूर्वभागोत्तरं मध्ये म त्रिजगत्तरमाचरेत् ।
 भागत्रयान्विते मध्ये पंचमोत्तरपट्टजयोः ॥
 कौमलो ध्वतवः स्थाप्य पूर्वभागे मनीषिणि ।
 तथैव धसयोर्मध्ये भागत्रयममन्विते ।
 पूर्वभागद्वयादूर्ध्वं निषादं त्रिजगाचरेत् ॥

Translation — If the distance between the meru and the shuddha nishabha be divided into three parts the komal ri will fall at the end of the second part. The tivra gandhara will come exactly between the meru and the shuddha dhaivata. If the distance between the tivra ga and tara sa be divided into three equal parts, the tivra tara ma will appear at the end of the first part. If the distance between pa and tara sa be divided into three parts, the komal dhaivata will stand at the end of the first part. If the distance between the dhaivata and the tara sa is divided into three parts, the tivra nishada will come at the end of the second part.

Observation — The placing of the shuddha swaras being satisfactorily effected by the author, it is needless to work out the exact places of his five vikṛta swaras here. It is a purely mathematical calculation.

Hridaya accepts the twelve Thatas of the Raga Tarangini and adds his own Hridayarama to them. But he arranges the Thatas in different groups according to the vikṛta swaras they contain. His classification is as follows —

Group No

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|-----|-----------------------|------------|
| (1) | शुद्धमेल..... | मेल नाम |
| (2) | एक विवर्तो दो मेलौ । | (1) भैरवी |
| | (a) गंधारैकतमोत्तर. | (2) कर्णाट |
| | (b) धैवतैककौमलः । | (3) मुरारि |
| (3) | द्विविहर्तो दो मेलौ । | |
| | (a) कौमलैकमध्ववर्तो | (4) तोडी, |
| | (b) त्रिजगाधारनिषादी | (5) कंदा |
| (4) | त्रिविहर्तापयो मेलौ } | |

(a) गांधारमध्यमनिपादानां तीव्रतरत्वे ।

(6) इमनः

(b) गांधार धैवतनिपादानां तीव्रतरत्वे ।

(7) मेघ

(c) गांधारमध्यमनिपादानां तीव्रतरत्वे ।

(8) हृदयरमा

(5) चतुर्विंशतास्रयो मेलः ।

(a) तत्र ऋषभधैवतयोः कौमलत्वे

गांधारनिपादयोः स्तीव्रतरत्वे । (9) गौरी

(b) गांधारस्यातितीव्रतमत्वे, मध्य-

मधैवतयोः स्तीव्रतरत्वे, निपाद-

(10) सारंग

(c) गांधार धैवतमध्यमानां तीव्र-

तरत्वे, निपादस्य काकलीत्वे । (11) पूर्वा

(6) पंचविकृत एक मेलः ।

गमौ तत्र तरे यत्र रिषौ कौमलसंज्ञकौ ।

निपादः काकलीः पूर्णा धनाश्रीस्तत्र कीर्तिता ॥

(12) धनाश्री ।

दीपक.....Omitted

The author then classifies his janya ragas, under the groups according to their vikritas. In describing the lakshana (distinguishing feature) of each raga, he adds a short string of notes, something like the aroha-avaroha-swarup of the raga which is really very interesting. I have already said that in my Abhinava-raga-manjari, I have imitated this method of raga definition. The manjari deals with the modern Hindusthani ragas and naturally follows the modern raga rules. The janya ragas dealt with in the Prakasha, are the same as those given in the Hrdaya Koutuka.

THE SANGEETA PARIJATA

The next treatise we discuss is the Sangita Parijata of Ahobala. It is one of the most remarkable and popular works dealing with the northern or Hindustani system of music. It is a printed book now and a copy of it can be had anywhere at a very small cost. It is the opinion of some of our scholars that Ahobala was originally a southern pandit,

but not subsequently he came to Northern India, and wrote a book there. The fact that despite the author's place of birth there is no doubt we find in the *Sangita Parijata* several Sanskrit words not common in the southern system of Music, and not at all common in the Northern system. The system of Music described in the book is undoubtedly the northern. There is no direct evidence to show when *Parijata* was written. But there is some circumstantial evidence to prove that it must have been written after the latter half of the seventeenth century. Dr. W. Jones in his *History of Hindoostan*, Vol. I says that Sangita Parijata was composed in the year 1714 A.D. I have myself seen a copy of the Persian translation in the Asiatic Society Library. The copy bears the seal of the Director of Public Instruction, Shah's Library. We know that Mahomed Shah occupied the throne of Delhi in the year 1719 A.D. *Parijata* is freely quoted by Raja Ravi Varma Pandit in his well-known work *Sangita Anupama Vahini*. Raja Ravi Varma's father, was in the service of the Emperor Shah Jahan. Raja Ravi Varma himself was in the service of Raja Anup Singh of Purnea who was a contemporary of Aurangzeb. There is reason to believe that Abubakar had some acquaintance with the famous southern treatise *Rasa Vilasika* written by Somanatha in 1610 A.D. These facts would go to prove that the *Sangita Parijata* was written somewhere in the latter half of the 17th Century.

Like all other Sanskrit writers preceding him, Abubakar accepts the division of the scale into twenty-two *srutis*, to which he gives the well-known ancient names, तमिस्रा दृष्टवती etc. The principle of locating the Shuddha Swaras on the *srutis* is the same as that followed by the ancient writers. It is this:

चतुश्चतुश्चतुर्द्वयं षट्सप्तममर्षवर्मा ।

द्वे द्वे निषादगंधारी विमलीतिमर्षवर्मा ॥

The Shuddha swara was represented always by the first *sruti*. In other words, the usual rule एते शुद्धस्वराः गतः स्वराणां चतुर्द्वयविभक्तौ, was faithfully followed by him. It will be seen presently that the Shuddha scale of the *Sangita Parijata* is identical with that of the *Haripada Prakasha*. It corresponds with our modern *Kotha scale*. Abubakar describes his *Vikrita Swaras* in the following verses:

स्वरोन्मिमथुति यानि तीव्रग्रन्थी प्रयाग्यर्था ।

स्वरोन्मिमथुती यानि तदा तीव्रवर्गो भवेत् ॥

स्वोन्मिमथुतीर्षानि तद्दि तीव्रतमो भवेत् ।

चतस्रः श्रुतयो यस्मिन्नाधिकाः स्युर्यदा स्वरः ॥

अतिर्ताम्रतमारुर्धा च प्राप्नोतीति जयर्धुधाः ।

स्वरः पञ्चानिवृत्तः श्वेत्कोमलादिभिरीरितः ॥

एकश्रुतिपण्डित्यागान् स्वरः कोमलसंज्ञकः ।

* श्रुतिद्वयपरित्यागात्पूर्वशब्देन भण्यते ॥

Translation. When a note rises one sruti, it becomes tivra; when it rises two Srutis, it becomes tivra-tara; when it goes up three Srutis, it is called tivra-tama, and when it goes up four Srutis, it is called Ati-tivra-tama. When a note goes back (is lowered by one sruti) it becomes komala. When it is lowered two srutis, it becomes 'purva'.

Observation. This was also the process, described in the three treatises we discussed. Lochana and Hrdaya say nothing about the 'purva' note.

Some of the ancient Sanskrit writers, give fanciful distinctions between the Sruti and the swara. But the distinction between them pointed out by Pandit Ahobala is by far the most reasonable. Ahobala says :—

श्रुतयः स्युः स्वराभिन्नाः श्रावणत्वेन हेतुना ।

अहिकुण्डलिवत्तत्र भेदोक्तिः शास्त्रसंमता ॥

सर्वाश्च श्रुतयस्तत्तद्वागेषु स्वरतां गताः ।

रागाहेतुत्वं एतासां श्रुति संज्ञैव संमता ॥

Translation. There is no essential difference between the Sruti and the Swara. Both are sounds capable of being heard. According to the Shastras, the distinction between them is something like that which exists between the snake and its coil, or between gold and the ornaments made out of it. All Srutis are capable of being used as swaras in the various Ragas. Sounds actually used in the Raga become swaras for that Raga. Those not so used remain srutis only.

Observation. He means to say that the swaras of one raga will again become srutis only when the Raga is changed, and a different set of Srutis is selected as Swaras for the new raga. The selection is always to be made from the twenty-two srutis into which the scale is divided. The following chart will show the places and the names of the different Shuddha and Vikrita swaras of the Sangita Parijata.

श्रुति नाम	शुद्ध स्वर स्थान	कोमल विहृत स्वरस्थान	तीक्ष्ण विहृत स्वरस्थान
१ तीव्रा.....			तीक्ष्ण निषाद
२ कुमुदनी			तीक्ष्णतर निषाद
३ मदरा.....			तीक्ष्णतम निषाद
४ छन्दोवती.....	पद्म		
५ दयावती		पूर्व कथम	
६ रजनी		कोमल कथम	
७ रजिका.....	कथम.....	पूर्व गंधार	
८ रंदा.....		कोमल गंधार	तीक्ष्ण कथम
९ कोषी.....	गंधार.....		तीक्ष्णतर कथम
१० वज्रिका.....			तीक्ष्ण गंधार
११ प्रमार्णिणी			तीक्ष्णतर गंधार
१२ प्रीति.....			तीक्ष्णतम गंधार
१३ सार्जनी.....	मध्यम.....		अतितीक्ष्णतम गंधार
१४ क्षिती.....			तीक्ष्ण मध्यम
१५ रत्ना.....			तीक्ष्णतर मध्यम
१६ मदीपिनी			तीक्ष्णतम मध्यम
१७ आलापिनी	पंचम		
१८ मदनी.....		पूर्व धैवत	
१९ रोहिणी.....		कोमल धैवत	
२० रग्या.....	धैवत	पूर्व निषाद	
२१ उग्रा.....		कोमल निषाद	तीक्ष्ण धैवत
२२ क्षोभेणी.....	निषाद		तीक्ष्णतर धैवत
१ तीव्रा.....			
	७ शुद्ध स्वराः	८ कोमल विहृता	१४ तीक्ष्ण विहृता. २६ स्वराः

It may be pointed out here that although Ahobala Pandit used twenty-nine swara names in his music system, in the descriptions of his ragas, he never used more than twelve swaras. A reference to the chart will show that many of his vikritas are only different names for the same sounds. He does not make any secret of it. He tells his readers what notes he would not use in his ragas. Thus.

पूर्वकोमलनिर्देश तथा तीक्ष्णतरेष्वपि ।

अतितीक्ष्णतरेष्वपि सर्वे रागा उदीरिताः ॥

रिच पूर्व तथा तीक्ष्ण तीक्ष्णतर च गस्वरम् ।

तीव्रतमं तथा गं च मं च तीव्रं स्वरं तथा ॥
मं च तीव्रतमं धं च पूर्वाख्यं तीव्रसंज्ञितम् ।
तीव्रतरं निषादं च तीव्रतमं च निस्वरम् ॥
इत्येतांश्च दश त्यक्त्वा रागलक्षणधीरितम् ।

Translation.—In giving the 'laksanas' (definitions) of the Ragas, I have omitted the use of the following ten swaras :

(१) पूर्वं री (२) तीव्र री (३) तीव्रतर ग (४) तीव्रतम ग (५) तीव्र म (६) तीव्रतम म
(७) पूर्वं ध (८) तीव्र ध (९) तीव्रतर नि (१०) तीव्रतम नि ।

About the remaining twelve vikritas, he further points out.

क्रयमः शुद्ध एवासौ पूर्वं गांधार उच्यते ।
गांधार शुद्ध एवासौ रिस्तीव्रतर इष्यते ॥
अतितीव्रतमो गः स्थान्मध्यमः शुद्ध एवहि ।
धैवतः शुद्ध एवासौ निषादः पूर्वसंज्ञकः ॥
निषादः शुद्ध एवासौ धस्तीव्रतर इष्यते ॥

Translation.—Shuddha 'ri' is the same as Purva gandhara Shud-dha gandhara is no other than tivra-tara 'ri'; ati-tivra-tama 'ga' is shud-dha maddhyama itself. Shuddha dhaivat is purva nishada. Shuddha nishada and tivra-tara-dhaivata are one and the same.

Observation.—He means to say that these ten swara names disclose only five Swaras. Thus we have only seven vikritas left out of the twenty-two. Out of these seven again, Komal 'ga' and Komal 'ni' will have to go out. They correspond with tivra 'ri' and tivra 'dha' respectively which sounds are not to be used in any of the ragas at all. This leaves only five real vikritas. Ahobala thus uses twelve notes only in his raga descriptions.

The method of placing the shuddha and vikrita notes on the sounding wire of the Vina, or in other words the method of expressing the positions of the shuddha and Vikrita Swaras in terms of the lengths of the speaking wire of the vina is exactly the same as that used by Hridaya in his Hridaya Prakasha. We can therefore, safely say that the shuddha and vikrita swaras of Ahobala, are identically the same as those of Hridaya with this exception that Hridaya uses tivara-tara 'ga', tivra-tara 'ni' instead of Ahobala's tivra 'ga' and tivra 'ni'. The verses in which Ahobala describes the placing of his shuddha and vikrita notes are as under :—

ध्यन्यवच्छिन्नवीणायां मध्ये तारकसंस्थितः ।
उभयोः षड्जयोर्मध्ये मध्यमं स्वरमाचरेत् ॥
त्रिमागात्मकवीणायां पंचमः स्यात्तदग्रिमे ।

मपयोः पूर्वभागे च स्थापनीयोऽयं रिक्ताः ॥
 षड्जसप्तमयोर्मध्ये गान्धारस्य स्थितिर्मेवेत् ।
 मपयोर्मध्यदेशे तु धैवतं स्वरमाचरेत् ॥
 तत्पञ्चद्वयमन्याम क्षिप्रादस्य स्थितिर्मेवेत् ॥
 इति शुद्धस्वराः ।

Then follow verses describing the Vikṛita Swaras. We need not go into those here. All this is found in the Hṛdaya Prakāśha, which we have already considered. The shuddha and Vikṛita Swaras of the Saṅgita Parijata may be expressed in comparative vibrational values thus

'sa' 240, 'ri' 270, 'ga' 288, 'ma' 320, 'pa' 360, 'dha' 405
 'ni' 432, 'ga' 480, Komal 'ri' 254 2/3, tivra 'ga' 301 17/43, Tivra
 'ma' 337 1/2, komal 'dha' 381 3/7, tivra 'ni' (301 17/43 X 3/2)

Ahobala does not classify his ragas under any particular Thātas, but his reference to some Thāta names here and there is enough to prove that in his time, the method of classifying Ragas under Thātas was common. He describes about 122 Ragas in the Parijata. In the raga description he mentions in each case the note used in the raga, the aroha and avaroha the Graha and Nyāsa and also the Murchana. The Murchana in the Parijata is nothing more than the first 'tana' of the 'swara-karana' given under each Raga. We shall speak of the Murchana when we examine Śrinivāsa Paṇḍita's work Raga Tatva Vibodha. Śri Nivāsa was a faithful follower of Ahobala.

The following Shlokas will give the reader a clear idea as to how Ahobala defines his Ragas in the Saṅgita Parijata,

शुद्धमेष्टोद्भवः पूर्णो धैवतादिक्मृच्छनः ।
 आगोद्रे गनिषड्यैः स्याद्रागः सैधवनामकः ॥
 आग्नेहितस्वर्युक्तः स्फुरितेन च क्षोभितः ॥
 इति सैधवः

धनारिदमपपधधा । गनिधधपमपमागग
 रिना । धनारिदमगरिगपिमगरि । निनिध
 मपमगीर । पपमगगिगगगति ॥

इति स्वरकरणम् ॥

आगोद्रे स्थितीनास्वान्पूर्णाशुद्धस्वर्युक्ता ।
 गान्धारस्वरपूर्वा स्याद्वनार्थमप्यमन्तिषा ॥

इति धनार्थाः

गमपनिष । गिमनिषपम । गमपमगति ।

five it is called 'ouduva'. The 'mela' has thus three varieties, or forms. Vikrita swaras also enter the construction of the Mela.

शुद्धसंपूर्णमेलस्य भेद एक उदाहृतः ।

तेनैकैकस्वरत्यागात् षाडवः षड्विधो मतः ॥

पंचाधिकदशत्वं हि स्वरद्वयवियोगतः ।

Translation.—Shuddha sampurna mela has only one form. With one note omitted the 'mela' assumes six forms. With two notes omitted, it has fifteen varieties or forms.

Observation.—By dropping ni, dha, pa, ma, ga, re, one at a time, we get six 'shadava' varieties, and by dropping ni, dha; ni, pa; ni, ma; ni, ga; ni, re; dha, pa; dha, ma; dha, ga; dha, ri; pa, ma; etc., two at a time, we get fifteen 'ouduva' varieties.

A Raga is derived from the 'Mela' but has 'aroha' and 'avaroha'. Melas become Ragas themselves, as soon as you give them 'aroha' and 'avaroha'. By applying the principle of 'odavashadava-sampurna' to these arohas and Avarohas we can obtain 484 ragas from each Sampurna Mela. This is in fact the principle on which the Raga system of the Karnatic music is based.

We shall now briefly consider the function of the 'Murchhana' which seems to have played an important part in the production of the Raga. Ancient writers define Murchhana as follows :—

क्रमात्स्वराणां सप्तानामारोहश्चावरोहणम् ।

मूर्च्छन्त्युच्यते ग्रामद्वये ताः सप्त सप्त च ॥

रत्नाकरे ॥

In the time of Ahobala and Sri Nivasa, however, the definition seems to have undergone a slight modification. These authors define 'Murchhana' thus :—

आरोहश्चावरोहश्च स्वराणां जायते यदा ।

तां मूर्च्छनां तदा लोक आहुर्ग्रामाध्यां बुधाः ॥

सप्तसंख्यायुतास्ताः स्युस्तासामानि वक्ष्येहम् ।

तत्र तूत्तरसंभ्रास्यात् षड्जपूर्वकसंभवा ॥

द्वितीया रजनी प्रोक्ता निषादस्वरपूर्विका ।

धैवतादिस्वरोन्मूता तृतीया चोत्तरायता ॥

× × × ×

आरोहश्चावरोहश्च तथैव विकृतेष्वपि ।

मध्यवद्वज गमाम्य तदूर्ध्वरामात्रजम् ।
पूर्वैकैकरव लक्ष्म्यामामोक्तद्विद्वजम् ॥
शुद्धासु यानि नामानि तान्येव विद्वत्स्थपि ।
तथादोष्टपूर्वस्य भेदा स्त्रिया वर्गविधिभिः ॥

The original 'Murchhama' names were retained for those murch-
hanas which took all the seven notes. There was only one 'grama' in
use in the time of these writers. Ahobala distinctly says —
अथ ग्राह्याः प्रोक्ताः स्वराः सप्तमेऽक्षरे ।

अथ ग्रामाख्यः प्रोक्ता स्वरमदोहरूपिण ।
 पञ्चमध्यग्रामाधारमज्ञाभिस्त समन्विता ॥
 मूर्च्छनाधारभूतान्ने पञ्चग्रामाधिपुत्तम ।
 गंगा प्रमद्व्यालम्ब्यः ६० ६० पारिजाते ॥
 गांधारमध्यमग्रामावप्रयोजनकौ मर्ता ।
 गांधारमध्यम ग्रामौ यदि ब्राह्मा प्रकल्पितौ ।
 तर्हि तद्वक्ष्य श्रोक्तमर्थांगीतरामानत ॥

In the music systems of Ahobala and Sn Nivasa the Mela or Thata was merely a series of notes capable of producing "Ragas".

मेलः स्वस्वमूढः स्याद्वाग्यजनशक्तिमात्रम् ।
Mela assumed three different forms namely "odava" "shodava" and "sompurna," because it had to produce three definite kinds of ragas. The definition of the Mela says nothing of the Aroha and the Avaroha. It was the 'murchhana' which brought these into the Mela. A raga necessarily required the aroha and the avaroha. Hence the presence of the murchhana was absolutely necessary for the production of the raga. In fact it stood midway between the mela and the raga. The mela remaining the same, it was quite possible to obtain different Ragas by a mere change of the 'murchhana'. Sn Nivasa says —
वाग्देव्यु च पूर्णैः मेहेषु कश्चिदेव ।
अनेके

पाठवेत्तु च पूर्वो मेनेत्तु कर्त्तव्यम् ।
 आरोग्यं चायोगं च स्वस्वतन्त्रवित्तम् ।
 पूर्वजनभेदवर्जितम् गन्तव्यं हि तदा ।
 न्यक्तवित्तम् : क्षुत्तिष्ठाननन्यवर्त्तमानम् ।
 तान् अन्वेष्य, शीघ्रं तन्मन्त्रकर्मवित्तम् ।

These slokas mention various ways of producing Raga and a Mela of given Swaras. The practical importance of the statements in the actual singing of a Raga will be more clearly understood if we examine one or two raga definitions of Samiksha. On doing so it, it will be useful to know how a raga was sung in the time of the author. The author says,—

आदाबुद्धृष्टते येन स तानोदग्राहसंज्ञकः ।

आद्यंतयोश्चानियमस्ताने यत्र प्रजायते ॥

स्थायी तानः स विज्ञेयो लक्ष्यलक्षणकोविदेः ।

संचारी तु स विज्ञेयः स्थाय्यागेहविमिश्रितः ॥

यंत्र रागस्य विश्रान्तिः समाप्तिद्योतको हि सः ॥

Every Raga had four parts, namely 'udgraha' 'sthaiyi' 'sanchari', and 'muktayi'. 'Udgraha' was the first part with which the raga 'alapa' was commenced. We shall now examine one or two raga definitions :—

शुद्धमेलोद्भवः पूर्णो धैवतादिकमूर्छनः ।

अरोहे गनिवर्त्यः स्याद्रागःसंधवनामकः ॥

Translation.—The raga "Saindhava" is produced from the shud-dha thata. Its murchhana is Dhaivata and it drops the notes gandhara and nishada in the Aroha.

Observation.—What is the function of the Murchhana here, we ask? The answer will be found in the swara-karana given under the definition of the raga. It runs as follows :—

मपम गरिस निधधस । इत्युदग्राहः ।

धसरि इ० इ०

(This is really the 'murchhana' of dhaivata)

धसरिममगरिपपमगरिनीधपमगरिरिगरि

सनिध धस । इति स्थायी ।

Then comes the third portion of the 'alapa' called 'sanchari', and last comes the 'muktayi'. This shows that in singing a raga practically the murchhana was nothing more than the first member of the Raga alapa. We shall take another example.

अरोहे रिधहीना स्यात्पूर्णा शुद्धस्वरैर्युता ।

गांधारस्वरपूर्वा स्याद्वनाश्रीर्मेध्यमान्तका ॥

Translation.—The Raga "Dhanasri" is produced from the shud-dha swara thata. It drops 'ri' and 'dha' in the 'aroha' its murchhana is "gandharadika". The 'nyasa' or ending note is maddhyama.

Illustration ग म प नि स । रि स नि ध प म । ग म प म ग रि स । ग म प नि प
नि स रि स नि ध प म । ग म प म प म ग म ग रि स । ग म ग म प नि प नि स ग म म ।

To sum up then, the Mela first laid down the right swaras with the right 'varjya-avarjya' rule for the raga intended to be sung. The

'Murchhana' added the necessary aroha and avaroha, and thus produced the actual raga. The 'alapa' invariably started with the 'murchhana' determining the name of the Raga.

Later on it appears, the distinction between the mela and the Murchhana gradually disappeared and there was no restriction observed as to the 'udgraha' or the start. Murchhana then merely meant perhaps the Aroha and Avaroha of the raga and it always started from the shadja. In the Southern music system, even now, murchhana merely means the aroha and avaroha and nothing more. Its starting point is 'always the same as that of the पृथ्वी Mela, which therefore coincides with it. In the northern or Hindusthani system of the present day, the term murchhana has lost all its ancient significance. The murchhana coinciding with the mela became indistinguishable from it. The mela directly produces the raga by the process of aroha and avaroha, strangely enough some of our modern Mahomedan professional artists are known to use the term in the sense of a kind of 'gamaka' too. It will not be necessary to go into the raga-adhyaya of the Raga Tatva Vibodh, because there the author borrows the whole of his material from the Sangita Parijata. It is noteworthy that in the time of all these three or four authors that we discussed all music was based on the well-known twelve notes only. Sri Nivas emphatically disallows the use of the remaining ten srutis in the composition of the melas. He says:—

श्रुतयो द्वादशैवात्र स्वर्गमानतयोदिताः ।
तथातत्कारिताः सर्वे अस्वरस्यानतयादिभिरन ॥
न श्रुतिमयस्वरैस्त्वयस्तत्तात्प्राप्तमेलजात् ।
युक्तोदगादयुक्तो तगान्धमप्ययं मनस्विनः ॥

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चतुर्भिः पञ्चधा युक्ता एव श्रुतिविनिर्णयः ॥
अन्याश्च विहताः कुर्यात् श्रुतिक्षेत्रविभागतः ।
अन्यस्मान्निदिधारे शास्त्रोपपत्तमन्वेत् ॥
एव शोभयपक्षस्तान्मेलमयुक्त्वाः ।
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आदाऽुदगृह्यते येन स तानोदग्राहसङ्गकः

आद्यंतयोश्चानियमस्तानि यत्र प्रजायते ।

स्थायी तानः स विज्ञेयो लक्ष्यलक्षणकोवि

संचारी तु स विज्ञेयः स्थाय्यागोहविमिश्रितः ॥

यत्र रागस्य विश्रांतिः समाप्तिद्योतको हि सः ॥

Every Raga had four parts, namely 'udgraha' 'sthayi' 'sanchari' and 'muktayi'. 'Udgraha' was the first part with which the raga 'alapa' was commenced. We shall now examine one or two raga definitions :—

शुद्धमेलोद्धवः पूर्णो धैवतादिकमूर्छनः ।

आरोहे गानिवर्ज्यः स्याद्रागःसंघवनामकः ॥

Translation.—The raga "Saindhava" is produced from the shud-dha thata. Its murchhana is Dhaivata and it drops the notes gandhara and nishada in the Aroha.

Observation.—What is the function of the Murchhana here, we ask? The answer will be found in the swara-karana given under the definition of the raga. It runs as follows :—

मपम गरिस निधधस । इत्युदग्राहः ।

धसरि इ० इ०

(This is really the 'murchhana' of dhaivata)

धसरिममगरिपिप्पमगरिस्तिधपमगरिरिगरि

सनिध धस । इति स्थायी ।

Then comes the third portion of the 'alapa' called 'sanchari', and last comes the 'muktayi'. This shows that in singing a raga practically the murchhana was nothing more than the first member of the Raga alapa. We shall take another example.

आरोहे रिधहीना स्यात्पूर्णा शुद्धस्वरैर्युता ।

गांधारस्वरपूर्वा स्याद्धनाश्रीर्मध्यमान्तका ॥

Translation.—The Raga "Dhanasri" is produced from the shud-dha swara thata. It drops 'ri' and 'dha' in the 'aroha' its murchhana is "gandharadika". The 'nyasa' or ending note is maddhyama.

Illustration ग म प नि स । रि स नि ध प म । ग म प म ग रि स । ग म प नि प
नि स रि स नि ध प म । ग म प म प म ग म ग रि स । ग म ग म प नि प नि स ग स म ।

To sum up then, the Mela first laid down the right swaras with the right 'varjya-avarjya' rule for the raga intended to be sung. The

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SADRAGA — CHANDRODAYA

We shall now take up another group of Sanskrit treatises on Music. This group contains four works and the names of them are (1) Sadraga-Chandrodaya, (2) Raga Mala, (3) Raga Manjari and (4) Nartana-Nirnaya. We shall not discuss the last here, because the swara and raga chapters of that treatise, are the same as in the Raga Mala which we shall consider. The rest of the Nartana-Nirnaya deals with the art of dancing and falls beyond the scope of this paper. The author of the four treatises is Pundarika Vithala. He originally came from that part of India which is known as the Karnatik. It appears he came to the north and first settled in Khandesh. He describes his country and parentage in the concluding verse of the Sadraga Chandrodaya as follows :—

कर्णाटे शैवगंगाभिधनगनिकटे सासतूर्नाब्ह्यो यो ।
 ग्रामस्तत्राग्रजन्यप्रवरसु निकराञ्जामदग्न्योऽस्तिवंशः ॥
 तत्र श्रीविठ्ठलायोऽभवदमितयशास्तदगुणाख्या तु तस्यै-
 तत्सूनो रागचंद्रोदय इति च मजन् कैरवाणां मुदेऽस्तु ॥

When the Pandit actually wrote his Sadraga-Chandrodaya he was in the service of Faruqui rulers of Khandesh. This appears from the opening verses of the work.

वंशः फारकिभूपतेः सुसरलो भूमारधारक्षमः ।
 श्रीमत् सदगुणिदानशूरविमलक्षमापालशाखानिधत् ।
 विख्यातो भुवि यत्र काव्यरसिकाः सत्कीर्तिवह्नीश्रिताः ।
 चित्रं संचरतीति विश्वमखिलं के वर्णयन्तीति तत् ॥
 तज्जः श्रीबुरहानखान चतुरः कामातुकारी वरः ।
 संगीतादिकलाप्रपूर्णविमलः साहित्यतेजोमयः ।
 दारिद्र्यांधतमश्च यश्च गुणिनां हंताष्टुदरैः करैः ।
 भूमौ फारकिभूपतीश तिलकश्चंद्रश्चिरं राजते ॥
 श्रीमदक्षिणादिङ्मुखस्य तिलके श्रीखानिदेशे शुभे ।
 नित्यं भोगवतीव भोगिवसती रम्या हृषवादिभिः ।
 अस्ति स्वस्तिकरी नरेंद्रनगरी त्वानंदवह्नीति या ।
 तत्र श्रीबुरहानखान नृपतिः संगीतमाकर्णयत् ॥

From these verses it appears that Pundarik Vithala was in the service of King Burhan Khan of Khandesh. Burhan Khan was the son of Taj Khan, the son of Muhammad Khan. Mr. Stanley Lane-Poole, in his work "The Muhammadan Dynasties" at pp. 315 says as follows :—

"Akbar took Burhanpur, the capital of Khandesh and received the homage of its king in 1562 A.D.; but Khandesh was not fully in-

incorporated in the Moghul empire until 1593 A.D. when Ashurgarh fell in a six months' siege."

This enables us to fix the date of Pundarik. Pundarik does not leave us in doubt as to his date at all. In his Raga Manjan he says,

श्रीमच्छिववर्दीपश्चमद्वाराजाधिराजेश्वरः ।
 तेजःपुञ्जमहाप्रतापनिकरो मातुः क्षिती राजने ॥
 तस्यासीद्भगवत्तदावतनयो बीराधिबीरेश्वरः ।
 क्षीणीमडलमंडनीं विजयते भुमडलासंडलः ॥
 तरय द्वी तनयो प्रभूतविनयो शूरौ महाधार्मिकौ ।
 जानौ पतिरधामजौत्वरक्षोणीपतेः स्वौ भुजौ ॥
 मिहौ माधवमानपूर्वपदकौ संयामदक्षाभुमौ ।
 तेजत्यागमहसहस्तकनिनौ श्रीमत्सूरीश्वरौ ॥
 अकबरवृषधर्मी शक्तधातिमीमां ।
 घातिगगनमण्ये जगमो मध्यमेकः ।
 सकलवृषतितावदमूरी इमी द्वौ ।
 जगति जयनशीलौ माधवानानभिर्द्वौ ॥

From this it appears that Pundarik was, when he wrote his Raga Manjan, in the service of the two brother princes Man Singh and Madhava Singh who were the feudatories of the Emperor Akbar. Pundarik was the contemporary of Akbar (1556-1605). It is possible when Khandesh was annexed about the year 1593, Pundarik lost his appointment and took service at the capital of Madhava Singh.

Here a question will arise. Was Pundarik a southern or a northern musician? There is no doubt he came originally from a part of the country where the prevailing music system was the Karnatik system. It is also true that in all the four books he wrote on Music, the shuddha scale on which he based his system was the Southern Mukhari or Kanakangi scale. But a careful study of his books will show that the music which he actually wrote upon was undoubtedly the northern music. In the Sadraga Chandrodaya, we do find the author dealing with Ragas, common to both the systems, but in the Raga Mala and the Raga Manjari, he clearly expounds the music of Upper India. We may safely, therefore, count Pundarik among our Northern authorities. His works are most clearly written. His poetry is charming. The shuddha scale he adopts in his books may be written thus सा री री (called shuddha ग) म प ध ध (called shuddha नि) म ।

This is the shuddha scale of the southern music even at the present day.

We shall now go into the subject matter of Pundarik Vithal's first book Sadraga Chandrodaya. The author begins by stating his srutis and swaras as follows:

द्वाविंशतिस्तीक्ष्णतराः क्रमेण ।
 नादं तु तावच्छ्रुतिता नयन्ति ॥
 कंठप्रदेशेऽप्यथ मूर्धदेशे ।
 द्वाविंशतिः स्युः श्रुतयस्तथैव ॥
 स्वराः श्रुतिभ्यः प्रभवन्ति ते तु ।
 षड्जादयः सप्त यथाक्रमेण ॥
 वेदाग्निपक्षाग्निपयोधिबन्धि ।
 पक्षातिमश्रुत्यधिसंश्रिताः स्युः ॥
 षड्जामिधानस्तद्वृषमस्ततः स्यात् ।
 गांधारको मध्यमपंचमौ च ॥
 ततः परं धैवतको निषादः ।
 इति स्वराः सप्त मता गुनीद्वैः ॥

The Pandit in these verses accepts the ancient view that there are twenty-two sounds, rising one above the other, available in music and known as srutis. Mandra maddhaya and tara are the three seats of sound. Each of these has twenty two srutis. The distribution of the twenty-two srutis among the seven swaras is the same as that in the case of the ancient writers. The names of the swaras are :

षड्ज, क्रयम, गांधार, मध्यम, पंचम धैवत, निषाद

Their places among the srutis are not disputed because he accepts the usual rule that :—

चतुःश्रुतुःश्रुतुश्चैव षड्जमध्यमपंचमाः ।
 द्वे द्वे निषादगांधारौ विह्वी क्रयमधैवतौ ॥

The shuddha swara stands as before on the last sruti. We know that all these facts were admitted by Lochana, Hridaya, Ahobala, and Srinivasa too. But it must be remembered that the system adopted by Pundarik has never to be confounded with that of the other four Pandits. The shuddha scale of Pundarik being the Southern, his system will have to be studied independently. The swara names and some of the technical terms will differ from those of the northern system. Thus:

शुद्धाः स्वरा य तु भवन्ति सप्त ।
 तज्ज्ञान् विकारान् प्रवदामि सप्त ॥

स्तोपान्तिकधु त्वयिमक्षितः स्वात् ।
 षड्जाभिधानो लघुषड्जनामा ॥
 एव सर्पो स्तो लघुसम्पूर्वा ।
 साधारणो गः प्रथमधुतिरय- ॥
 तस्य द्वितीयधुतिर्गन्तरः स्वात् ।
 षड्जाह्वस्य प्रथमधुतिरयः ॥
 तथा द्वितीयधुतिर्वतेमानो ।
 निःकेशिकी काकलिनामधेयः ॥
 स्वरयन्त्रकर्तुं न तेषु नष्टाः ।
 स्वरेषु भेदा विहता मुनीर्दः ॥

Translation—There are first of all the seven shudha swaras I shall explain next the seven vikrita swaras. When shadja stands on its penultimate or the third sruti, it is called 'laghu-shadja'. Similarly 'ma' and 'pa' standing on their penultimate srutis would be called laghu-ma' and 'laghu-pa'. When 'ga' stands on the first sruti of 'ma', it is called 'sadharaṇa-ga' and when it stands on the second sruti of 'ma', it is called 'antar-ga'; when nishada stands on the first sruti of 'sa' it is "kaishiki-ni", and when it stands on the second sruti of 'sa', it is called "kakali-ni". When the swaras stand on their proper places or srutis, they are supposed to be shuddha swaras only.

From these verses it will clearly appear that in the music system expounded in the Sadraga Chandrodaya, there will be seven shuddha swaras and seven vikrita swaras. The names of the seven vikrita swaras are as disclosed in the verses, are

(१) लघु षड्ज (२) लघु मध्यम (३) लघु पचम (४) साधारण गान्धर (५) अन्तर गान्धार (६) कैशिकिनि (७) काकलीनि.

Their places among the srutis, will enable us to see that they will correspond with our present Hindusthani swaras bearing the following names —

नीलतम नि, तीक्ष्णतम ग, तीक्ष्णतम म, कोमल ग, नीम ग, कोमल नि, तीक्ष्ण नि.

Our modern komal 'ga' and komal 'ni', as we saw, were the shuddha 'ga' and shuddha 'ni' of Lochana, Hridaya, Ahobala, and Sannivasa, and our shuddha 'ga' and shuddha 'ni', (which we call tivra 'ga' and tivra 'ni') were the tivratara 'ga' 'ni' of those writers.

I have already said that the shuddha scale of the Sadraga Chandrodaya is the same as the shuddha scale of the southern system. We may conveniently compare it with our modern Hindustani shuddha scales and also with the shuddha scale of Lochana, and Ahobala as follows :—

SHUDDHA SWARAS

Pundarika	Hindustani	Lochana	European
(१) शुद्ध पङ्कज	शुद्ध पङ्कज	शुद्ध पङ्कज	C
(२) शुद्ध ऋषभ	कोमल ऋषभ	कोमल ऋषभ	D ⁶
(३) शुद्ध गांधार	तीव्र ऋषभ	शुद्ध ऋषभ	D
(४) शुद्ध मध्यम	शुद्ध मध्यम	शुद्ध मध्यम	F
(५) शुद्ध पंचम	शुद्ध पंचम	शुद्ध पंचम	G
(६) शुद्ध धैवत	कोमल धैवत	कोमल धैवत	A ⁶
(७) शुद्ध निषाद	तीव्र धैवत	शुद्ध धैवत	A

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(१) लघु पङ्कज	तीव्रतम निषाद	तीव्रतम निषाद	
(२) लघु मध्यम	तीव्रतम गांधार	तीव्रतम गांधार	
(३) लघु पंचम	तीव्रतम मध्यम	तीव्रतम मध्यम	F
(४) साधारण गांधार	कोमल गांधार	शुद्ध गांधार	E ⁶
(५) अंतर गांधार	तीव्र गांधार	तीव्रतर गांधार	E
(६) कैशिक निषाद	कोमल निषाद	शुद्ध निषाद	B ⁶
(७) काकली निषाद	तीव्र निषाद	तीव्रतर निषाद	B

N. B.—The positions of these swaras will explain themselves better when we examine their places on the vina frets.

The Vina of Pundarika was almost the same as our modern Vina, the wires and frets on both being placed and tuned alike. In the following verses, Pundarika describes the way he tuned the wires of his vina and placed his frets under them :—

लक्ष्यप्रवीणेन विनिर्भितायां ।
सुवीणि कायागुपरि प्रदेयाः ॥
तंच्यश्चतस्रोऽथ स एव पार्श्वे ।
ऽथो दक्षिणे तिस्र इमा निवेश्याः ॥
पुरोदितानामुपरिस्थितानां ।
वामप्रदेशाश्रितपूर्वतंच्याम् ॥
पङ्कजं विदध्यादणुमंद्रसंज्ञं ।
द्वितीयतंच्यामणुमंद्रपं च ॥
तृतीयतंच्यामपि मंद्रपङ्कजं ।
चतुर्थतंच्यामथ मंद्रमाख्यम् ॥
त्रितंत्रिकाणामधराश्रितानां ।

माया तु मण्यस्थितपद्मज्वेन ॥
 तंथी समानधु निरोधितया ।
 द्वितीयिका मद्रकपेन तद्रूप ॥
 तार्तीयिका मद्रकपद्मज्वेन ।
 निर्योषमूः स्युः धुनिनामधेयाः ॥

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सारीनिवेशनम् । (The placing the frets)
 आघातुमद्राव्यपद्मज्वेन ॥
 शुद्धो यथा स्यादृषमस्तथाया ॥
 सारी निवेशयेत तथा द्वितीया ।
 तस्या तथा शुद्धगमिद्विद्वेतोः ॥
 सारं तृतीयापि तथैव तस्या ।
 धीयेत साधारणगस्य त्रिप्ये ॥
 सारी चतुर्थी लघुमध्यमस्य ।
 मिष्ये तथा तत्रिकया तथैव ॥
 तस्या तथी पंचमसारिका च ।
 निर्धायते शुद्धममाधनाय ॥
 सारी निवेश्या च तथैव षष्ठी ।
 तस्या तथैव लघुपाव्कयाय ॥

The purport of these verses can be best followed with the help of the following vina chart

मद्रसतथां चतुर्थी मद्र सा तथी तृतीया अणुमद्र प तंथी द्वितीया अणुमद्र सा तथी प्रथमा					
(१) सारी	मद्र शुद्ध म	मद्र शुद्ध सा	अणुमद्र प	अणुमद्र सा	मेव
(२) "	" लघु प	" शुद्ध कवम	" शुद्ध धैवत	" मद्र शुद्ध कवम	
(३) "	" शुद्ध प	" शुद्ध गांधार	" शुद्ध निषाद	" शुद्ध गांधार	
(४) "	" शुद्ध घ	" साधारण ग	" कैतिकनि	" साधारण गांधार	
(५) "	" शुद्ध नि	" लघु म	" लघु सा	" लघु मध्यम	
(६) "	" कै० नि	" शुद्ध म		" लघु मध्यम	
(६) "	" लघु सा			" लघु पचम	

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SHUDDHA SWARAS

Pundarika	Hindustani	Lochana	European
(१) शुद्ध पङ्कज	शुद्ध पङ्कज	शुद्ध पङ्कज	C
(२) शुद्ध ऋषभ	कोमल ऋषभ	कोमल ऋषभ	D ⁶
(३) शुद्ध गांधार	तीव्र ऋषभ	शुद्ध ऋषभ	D
(४) शुद्ध मध्यम	शुद्ध मध्यम	शुद्ध मध्यम	F
(५) शुद्ध पंचम	शुद्ध पंचम	शुद्ध पंचम	G
(६) शुद्ध धैवत	कोमल धैवत	कोमल धैवत	A ⁶
(७) शुद्ध निषाद	तीव्र धैवत	शुद्ध धैवत	A

VIKRITA SWARAS

(१) लघु पङ्कज	तंत्रितम निषाद	तंत्रितम निषाद	
(२) लघु मध्यम	तंत्रितम गांधार	तंत्रितम गांधार	
(३) लघु पंचम	तंत्रितम मध्यम	तंत्रितम मध्यम	F
(४) साधारण गांधार	कोमल गांधार	शुद्ध गांधार	E ⁶
(५) अंतर गांधार	तीव्र गांधार	तीव्रतर गांधार	E
(६) कैशिक निषाद	कोमल निषाद	शुद्ध निषाद	B ⁶
(७) काकली निषाद	तीव्र निषाद	तीव्रतर निषाद	B

N. B.—The positions of these swaras will explain themselves better when we examine their places on the vina frets.

The Vina of Pundarika was almost the same as our modern Vina, the wires and frets on both being placed and tuned alike. In the following verses, Pundarika describes the way he tuned the wires of his vina and placed his frets under them :—

लक्ष्यप्रवीणेन विनिर्भितायां ।
सुवीणि कायामुपरि प्रदेयाः ॥
तंयश्चतस्रोऽथ स एव पार्श्वे ।
ऽधो दक्षिणे तिस्र इमा निवेश्याः ॥
पुरोदितानामुपरिस्थितानां ।
नाभप्रदेशाश्रितपूर्वतंय्याम् ॥
षड्जं विदध्यादणुमंद्रसंज्ञं ।
द्वितीयतंय्यामणुमंद्रपं च ॥
तृतीयतंय्यामपि मंद्रषड्जं ।
चतुर्थतंय्यामथ मंद्रमारुह्यम् ॥
त्रितंत्रिकाणामधराश्रितानां ।

मापा तु मय्यस्थितपद्मकेन ॥
 तंत्री समानधु निरोधितव्या ।
 द्वितीयिका मद्रक्पेन तद्वत् ॥
 तानीयिका मद्रक्पद्मकेन ।
 तिद्योगमूः स्युः युतिनामधेयाः ॥

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 आपातुमद्राप्पवपद्मकेन ।
 शुद्धो यथा स्यादृषमस्तथापा ॥
 सारी निवेशयेत् तथा द्वितीया ।
 तस्या तथा शुद्धगमिद्विहेतोः ॥
 सारी तृतीयापि तथैव तस्या ।
 धायेत् साधारणस्य सिन्धौ ॥
 सारी चतुर्थी लघुमध्यमस्य ।
 सिन्धौ तथा तंयिकया तथैव ॥
 तस्या तथी पचमसारिवा च ।
 निर्धायते शुद्धममाधनाय ॥
 सारी निवेशया च तथैव षष्ठी ।
 तस्या तथैव लघुपाह्वयाय ॥

The purport of these verses can be best followed with the help of the following vina chart

	मद्र	शुद्ध	म	मद्र	शुद्ध	सा	अनुमन्द्र	प	अनुमन्द्र	सा	तथी प्रथमा
(१) सारी	"	लघु	प	"	शुद्ध	कयम	"	शुद्ध	धैवत	"	अनुमन्द्र सा मेढ
(२) "	"	शुद्ध	प	"	शुद्ध	गांधार	"	शुद्ध	निषाद	"	मद्र शुद्ध कयम
(३) "	"	शुद्ध	घ	"	साधारण	ग	"	कंसिकानि	"	"	शुद्ध गांधार
(४) "	"	शुद्ध	नि	"	लघु	म	"	लघु	मा	"	साधारण गांधार
(५) "	"	कै.	नि	"	शुद्ध	म	"	"	"	"	लघु मध्यम
(६) "	"	लघु	सा	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	शुद्ध मध्यम
											लघु पचम

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चतुर्दशोक्ता ननु पूर्वमेते ।
 स्वरास्ततो द्वादशसंख्यकानाम् ॥
 सारोनिवेशः क्रियते भवद्भिः ।
 कुतोऽन्तरे काकलिनि द्वयोर्न ॥
 अत्रोच्यते काकलिनोऽन्तरस्य ।
 पंक्तौ प्रयुज्ये यदि सारि के द्वे ॥
 संकीर्णभावान्न तदासुकूल्यं ।
 स्याद्वादनेऽतो न कृते पृथग् द्वे ॥
 तयोः समुत्पात्तिरुदीर्यते तु ।
 चेत् प्रस्तुतस्तत्सहिताऽपि रागः ॥
 लघ्वाख्ययोः षड्जमयोश्च सायौ ।
 स्यातां यदैकैकश्रु तेर्निर्हानौ ॥
 तदाच काकल्यभिधातरो स्तः ।
 किंत्वत्र सूक्ष्मध्वनिभेदविज्ञाः ॥
 लघ्वादिकं सं लघुमध्यमं च ।
 तत्प्रातिनिध्येन वदन्ति लक्ष्ये ॥

He says he deliberately omits these two frets because these frets coming too close to those of 'laghu-sa' and 'laghu-ma' would make play inconvenient. If, however, there are any ragas which require those two notes, those well versed in the shastra of music would allow these two notes to be represented by the higher notes laghu-sa and laghu-ma. The difference of one sruti will not make much of a difference in the general effect of the raga.

Observation.—This also shows that Pundarika was aware of the northern practice of expressing ragas in terms only of twelve notes.

We shall now proceed to the nineteen thatas under which Pundarika classifies his ragas.

तत्राद्यमेलस्तु मुखारिकायाः ।
 ततो भवेन्मालवगौडमेलः ॥
 श्रारागमेलस्तदनन्तरं स्यात् ।
 स्याच्छुद्धनट्टाव्हयकस्य मेलः ॥
 देशाक्षिकाया अपि मेलकः स्यात् ।
 कर्णाटिगौडस्य भवेत् सुसलः ॥
 केदारकाख्यस्य भवेत् सुमेलः ।
 हिज्जमेलोऽपि हमारमेलः ॥
 कामोदरागमिधस्य मेलः ।
 ततः सुतोड्याव्हयकस्य मेलः ॥
 आभीरिकायाः सुमतश्च मेलः ।
 मेलो भवेत् शुद्धवराटिकायाः ॥
 स्याच्छुद्ध रामत्रयमिधस्य मेलः ।
 देवक्रियायाश्च भवेत् मेलः ॥
 सारंगमेलस्तदनन्तरं स्यात् ।
 कल्याणमेलस्तु ततः परं स्यात् ॥

हिंदोलरागस्य भवेत्तु मेलः ।

स्यान्नादरामकयनिधस्य मेलः ॥

हर्नागितास्ते नवचंद्रमस्याः ।

एव परास्तात् कलयतु प्रज्ञाः ॥

These may be written with their respective swaras as follows :-

पाठ नाम	सा	री	ग	म	प	ध	नि	Hindustani Equivalents
१ मुसारी	सा	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	सा री री म प ध ध सा
२ मालव गौड़	सा	वतुः	लघु म	"	"	"	लघु सा	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
३ धी	सा	धुनि	साधारण	"	"	वतुः	केशिक	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
४ शुद्ध नाट	सा	त्रिधु.ग	लघु म	"	"	धुनि	केशिक	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
५ देशाक्षी	सा	"	"	"	"	त्रिधु.	लघु मा	सा ग ग म प नि नि मा
६ कर्णाट गौड़	सा	"	"	"	"	नि	"	सा ग ग म प ध नि सा
७ केदार	सा	शुद्ध ग	"	"	"	शुद्ध नि	"	सा ग ग म प ध नि मा
८ हिजेज	सा	शुद्ध	"	"	"	त्रिधुति	सा री ग म प ध नि मा	
९ हमाज	सा	शुद्ध ग	"	"	"	शुद्ध नि	लघु सा	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
१० कामोद	सा	शुद्ध	"	"	"	केशिक	लघु मा	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
११ तोड़ी	सा	त्रिधुति	लघु प	"	"	शुद्ध	लघु मा	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
१२ आमोरी	सा	साधारण	शुद्ध	"	"	त्रिधुति	मा री ग म प ध नि मा	
१३ शुद्ध वराही	सा	"	"	"	"	केशिक	सा री ग म प ध नि सा	
१४ शुद्ध रामकी	सा	शुद्ध	लघु प	"	"	लघु मा	मा री ग म प ध नि मा	
१५ देवकी	सा	लघु म	लघु प	"	"	लघु मा	सा री री म प ध नि मा	
१६ सारंग	सा	शुद्ध ग	लघु प	"	"	शुद्ध	मा री ग म प ध नि सा	
१७ कल्याण	सा	"	लघु प	"	"	केशिक	सा री म म प नि नि सा	
१८ हिंदोल	सा	साधारण	लघु प	"	"	लघु मा	सा री ग म प ध नि मा	
१९ नाद रामकी	सा	त्रिधुति	शुद्ध	"	"	लघु सा	सा री ग म प ध नि मा	
	सा	साधारण	"	"	"	नि	सा री ग म प ध नि मा	

Doubtful.

*शुद्धी समीं शुद्धपनी तथैव लज्जदिर्दी वृज्जकपचर्मी व ।
पचधुनिर्मध यदा भवेत्तु देवक्रियाया कथितः स मेलः ॥

Explanatory note

Pundanka's notes—Hindustani Notes

Hindustani Notation signs

शुद्ध री, शुद्ध ध = कोमल री, कोमल ध
वतुःधुति री, वतुःधुतिध = तीव्र री, तीव्र ध
शुद्ध ग, शुद्ध नि = तीव्र री, तीव्र ध
साधारण ग = कोमल ग
केशिक नि = कोमल नि
लघु सा, लघु म, लघु प = तीव्र नि, तीव्र ग, तीव्र म

री ग घ नि = कोमल री, कोमल ग, घ, नि
म - - - = तीव्र म
सा - - - = तीव्र सा

जन्यजनक राग व्यवस्था—चंद्रोदये ।

मूल नाम	जन्य रागाः
१ गुप्तरी	१ गुप्तरी
२ मालवगौंड	१ मालव, २ गौंडकृति, ३ गुजरी, ४ टक, ५ पांडी, ६ कुरंजी, ७ बहुली, ८ पूर्वी, ९ रामक्री, १० द्रविड गौंड, ११ गौडी, १२ बंगाल, १३ आसावरी, १४ पंचम, १५ रेवगुप्ती, १६ प्रथम मंजरी, १७ कर्णाट बंगाल, १८ शुद्ध ललित, १९ शुद्ध गौंड, २० देवगांधार, २१ मारवा ।
३ श्रीराग	१ श्रीराग, २ मालवश्री, ३ धनाश्री, ४ भैरवी, ५ सैधवी ।
४ शुद्धनाट	१ शुद्धनाट ।
५ देशाक्षी	१ देशाक्षी ।
६ कर्णाट गौंड	१ कर्णाट, २ तुल्यकतोडी, ३ शुद्धबंगाल, ४ छायानट, ५ सामंत ।
७ केदार	१ केदार, २ नारायण गौंड, ३ वेलावली, ४ शंकराभरण, ५ नटनारायण ६ मध्यमादि, ७ मझार, ८ गौंड, ९ सारंगनाट, १० भूपाली, ११, सावेरी, १२ सौराष्ट्री, १३ कामोजी ।
८ हिजेज	१ हिजेज ।
९ हमीरनाट	१ हमीरनाट ।
१० कामोद	१ कामोद ।
११ तोड़ी	१ तोड़ी ।
१२ आभीरी	१ आभीरी ।
१३ शुद्धवरादी	१ शुद्धवरादी, २ सामवरादी ।
१४ शुद्धरामक्री	१ शुद्धरामक्री, २ त्रावणी, ३ देशी, ४ ललित ।
१५ देवक्री	१ देवक्री ।
१६ सारंग	१ सारंग ।
१७ कल्याण	१ कल्याण ।
१८ हिंदोल	१ हिंदोल ।
१९ नादरामक्री	१ नादरामक्री ।

We shall not go into the definitions of these Janya Ragas here.

The Hindustani musician will find this classification very interesting. He will find many of his own ragas in the list. Some of these latter seem to have retained their original swaras to this day. The book therefore, is supposed to be of great historical importance.

RAGMALA

This is another treatise by Pundanka Vithala. It deals with the Northern system of Music proper. Here too the author builds up his Raga system on the Southern Shuddha scale.

सा री री म प ध ध सा.

We know that was also the shuddha scale of the Sadraga-Chandrodaya. The names of the vikṛta swaras here are not those of the Chandrodaya. The ragas again are divided into three classes, namely 'purusha' ragas, 'stree' ragas, and 'putra' ragas. This is supposed to be the genuine northern style of Raga classification.

After mentioning the three seats of sound 'mandra' madhya and 'tara', Pundank says —

यन्नेऽनुमद्रथान रयाद्रायके तदसकथन ।
मद्रादितरं स्थान व्यवहारोऽभिधीयते ॥

The sruti is distinguished from the swara in the usual way

इतिः श्रुतिस्ततो लभजतोऽनुगुणनचनिः ।
माविर्दातः श्रोतृविधं स्वतो रजयति स्वर ॥

It is worth noting that in the time of Pundanka, as also in that of Hrdaya, Ahobala, and Srinivasa, there was only one 'grama' in use and that was the shadja-grama. All ancient writers were agreed that the shuddha scale commencing with shadja was the shadja-grama. The shadja-grama of Lochana was our modern Kafi thata. Pundanka's shadja-grama was the southern shuddha scale mentioned above. The author accepts the old twenty-two srutis, and their distribution among the swaras.

द्वाविंशतिः श्रुतिरथान सोपानाकारवत् क्रमात् ।

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प्रमत्तबुधोद्यताः श्रुतयः धाव्यमावतः ॥
रागादिन्यवहास्य तासु सप्त स्वरा स्थिताः ।
पञ्चमश्च त्रयमर्थैव गांधारी मध्यमस्तथा ॥
पचमो धैवतश्चाथ निषादधैश्चतुक्रमात् ।
तेषां संज्ञाः सरिगमपधनीयपरा मताः ॥
वेदाचलकधुतिषु त्रयोदश्यां श्रुती तथा ।
सप्तदश्यां च विंश्यां च द्वाविंश्यां च धुनी क्रमात् ॥
पञ्चादीनां स्थितिः प्रोक्ता प्रथमा मरतादिभिः ॥

The word "sthiti" in the last line has to be carefully noted. Pundanka means by it the original or shuddha place of the swara. He uses the word in contradistinction to the word "gati", by which he means the vikṛti of the note. When a swara becomes vikṛta, it leaves its original place or 'sthiti' and moves. Thus the word "gati" happily represents the idea of change. The shuddha scale being southern, the vikṛtis of the swaras will necessarily be the higher "gati" of the

shuddha swara. Each "gati", will be measured by a sruti. For instance, gandhara rising one sruti will be called "trigatika", when it rises two srutis, it will be supposed to have gone up two "gatis" and so forth. The shuddha place of the gandhara, is as we know, two srutis above the shuddha rishabha.

असपाः पूर्वपूर्वास्ते संचरंत्युत्तरोत्तरम् ।

त्रिभिर्गतीस्ते प्रत्येकं याति गश्च चतुर्गतीः ॥

Translation.—All swaras with the exception of sa and pa, will be allowed to rise up to three "gatis" or srutis. The gandhara alone will be permitted to go up to the fourth sruti of the next note maddhyama.

यद्यद्रागोपयोगः स्यात्तत्तदिच्छागतिर्भवेत् ।

गन्धोर्गती द्वितीये चांतरकाकलिनौ स्मृतौ ॥

पंचम्यष्टादशी प्रष्टी तथा चौकोनविंशतिः ।

चतस्रः श्रुतयश्चैता रागाद्यैरप्रयोजकाः ॥

शेषा अष्टादशैव स्युः श्रुतयः स्वरबोधकाः ।

न्यूनाधिकैकगतीका मंद्रतारस्वरा यदि ।

न रागहानिकाः सर्वे स्पष्टता मध्यसप्तके ॥

Translation.—The use of the "gatis" will naturally depend upon the nature of the raga proposed to be sung or played. The second "gatis" of gandhara and nishada have special names, namely "antar-gandhara" and "kakali-nishada". These names will be used whenever the ga and ni rise two srutis. The srutis fifth, sixth, eighteenth and nineteenth will never be used in any raga at all. Barring these four, the remaining eighteen will be allowed to be so used. The rise or fall by one sruti only in the mandra and tara octaves, could safely be neglected. It will not destroy the general effect of a raga. In the maddhya octave, however, it will be proper to use the prescribed sruti-swaras.

Observation.—The srutis five, six, eighteen, and nineteen are barred because in the southern scale, the shuddha ri and shuddha dha are supposed to be the lowest sounds of those notes. Ri and dha when shuddha, are always three sruti notes. No swaras therefore, are allowed between sa and shuddha ri and pa and shuddha dha. The provision in the last verse is intended to avoid the difficulty of having a four sruti note and a three sruti note standing on the same fret of the vina in samvadi relationship. We find a similar provision in the Raga Vibodha of Somnath.

Pundarika being a southern Pandit may have read the Swara Mala Kalanidhi of Ramamatya and the Raga Vibodha of Somnath.

The following chart will show at a glance the places and the names of the shuddha-vikrita swaras of the Raga Mala.

श्रुति नाम	शुद्ध स्वर स्थिति	विकृत स्वर गति	प्रस्तुत हिन्दुस्थानी स्वर नाम
१ तीमा	...	एकगणिक नि	कोमल निषाद (Southern कैथिक नि)
२ कुमुदती	...	द्विगणिक नि	तीव्र निषाद (Southern काकली नि)
३ मंदा	...	त्रिगणिक नि	(तीव्रतम नि)
४ छंदोवती	शुद्ध षड्ज	...	शुद्ध षड्ज
५ दयावती	...	...	Not to be used } According to Pun-
६ राजनी	...	...	Not to be used } darka अपयोजकः
७ रक्तिका	शुद्ध कृष्णम	...	कोमल कृष्णम
८ रीषी	...	प्रथम एक गतिकरि	तीव्र कृष्णम (Southern चतुःश्रुतिक रि=
९ कोषी	शुद्ध गांधार	द्विगणिक रि	कोमल गांधार " पञ्चश्रुतिरि)
१० षष्ठिका	...	एकगणिक गांधार	तीव्र गांधार " साधारण गांधार)
११ प्रमारिणी	...	द्विगणिक "	(तीव्रतम ग)
१२ प्रीति	...	त्रिगणिक "	शुद्ध मध्यम
१३ मार्जनी	शुद्ध मध्यम	चतुर्गणिक "	तीव्र म
१४ शिवि	...	एकगणिक मध्यम	(तीव्रतम म)
१५ रत्ना	...	द्विगणिक "	शुद्ध पचम
१६ सदापिनी	...	त्रिगणिक "	...
१७ आलापिनी	शुद्ध पचम	...	...
१८ मदती	Never used	...	...
१९ रोहिणी	Never used	...	...
२० तम्या	शुद्ध धैवत	...	कोमल धैवत
२१ उग्रा	...	एकगणिक ध	तीव्र ध (Southern चतुःश्रुति=पचमधु०ध
२२ सोमिणी	शुद्ध निषाद	द्विगणिक ध	कोमल नि " कैथिक नि)
२ तीमा	...	एकगणिक नि	तीव्र नि " काकली नि)
२ कुमुदती	...	द्विगणिक नि	(तीव्रतम नि)
३ मंदा	...	त्रिगणिक नि	...
४ छंदोवती	शुद्ध षड्ज	...	...

N. B.—The notes underlined are the notes of the present Hindustani Music systems.

After explaining the shuddha and vikrita swaras, the author defines the following technical terms, वादी, संवादी, अनुवादी, विवादी, ग्रह, अंश and न्यास as follows:—

चतुर्विधाः स्वरा वादी संवादी च विवाद्यपि ।
अनुवादोति वादी तु प्रयोगे बहुलः स्वरः ।
अंशः स्थायीति पर्यायः रागोत्पादनहेतुकः ।
श्रुतयो द्वादशाष्टौवा ययोस्तस्मिन् चराः ॥
मिथः संवादिनौ तौ स्तो गत्यादेशचविभागतः ।
शेषाणामनुवादित्वं ज्ञेयमन्वर्थतः क्रमात् ॥

We have already discussed these terms and need say nothing further about them.

गीतादिनियतमात्रः स्वरो ग्रह इतीरितः ।

प्रयोगे बहुलोऽंशः स्यान्न्यासो गीतिसमाप्तिकृत् ॥

Translation.—The note which begins a song is called "graha"; the one that ends it is called "nyasa", and the note which is most frequently used in the gita is called "ansha", which is synonymous with the 'vadi' or 'sthayi'. पट्जः सर्वधराणे च ग्रहः । Sa is the 'graha' of every raga. The terms 'graha', ansha, and 'nyasa' had apparently lost their ancient significance in the modern "deshi" sangeeta. Pundarika says in the Chandrodya :—

न्यासग्रहंशेषु च पूर्णतायां ।
श्रुतो तथा पाठव औद्धवेऽपि ॥
सर्वत्र देशीगतारागवृन्दे ।
श्रीमद्वन्तुमान् नियमं न वद्रे ॥

RAGA-ADHYAYA

In the Raga-adhyaya of the Raga Mala, Pundarika, first lays down his six 'purusha' ragas, and then gives each of them five 'bharyas', and five 'putras'.

राग नाम	रागभार्याः	पुत्राः
१ शुद्धभैरव	१ धन्वासी, २ भैरवी, ३ सैधवी, ४ मारवी, ५ आसावरी	१ भैरवी, २ शुद्धलितः, ३ पंचम, ४ परज, ५ बंगाल
२ हिंडोल	१ भूपाली, २ वसंती, ३ तोडी, ४ प्रथम-मंजरी, ५ तुरङ्गतोडी	१ वसंत, २ शुद्ध बंगाल, ३ श्याम, ४ सामंत, ५ कामोद
३ देशकार	१ रामक्री, २ बहुली, ३ देशी, ४ जेतश्री, ५ गुर्जरी	१ ललित, २ विमास, ३ सारंग, ४ त्रिवण, ५ कल्याण
४ श्रीराग	१ गौडी, २ पाडी, ३ गुणकरी, ४ शुद्ध-रामक्री, ५ गुंडक्री	१ टक, २ देव गांधार, ३ मालव, ४ शुद्ध गौड, ५ कर्णाटबंगाल
५ शुद्धनाट	१ मालवश्री, २ देशाक्षी, ३ देवक्री, ४ मधुमाधवी, ५ अहरीरी	१ जिजावंती, २ सालंगनाट, ३ कर्नाट, ४ छायानाट, ५ हसीरनाट
६ नटनारायण	१ वेलावली, २ कांवोजी, ३ सावेरी, ४ सुहवी, ५ सौराष्ट्री	१ मल्हार, २ गौड, ३ केदार, ४ शंकरा-भरण ५ बिहागडा

It will be seen that all these raga names are to be found in the modern Hindustani system. Nay, many of the ragas, will be found to have preserved as nearly as possible their old forms. The new time theory of the Hindustani musicians naturally brought in some characteristic changes and made the arrangement of the ragas still more attractive. In describing the thata of each raga in the Raga Mala Pandanka accomplishes two wonderful things. He first gives the swaras of the ragas and then gives the devatatmakā appearance or picture of the raga as also the time for its singing. For instance,

सप्तोजातोद्भवोऽयं प्रथमगतिगतिः सविहंगः कपदी ।
 रतःश्यामसिन्धुली शिवतश्चवनो मरमंदइसिनेव ॥
 कटे शृंगि दधानः शवनयुगलतो मुद्रिचे चन्द्रवृटो ।
 ईमतेप्रथि प्रमाति विहसति वृषमे मंगवज्जुहपूर्वः ॥

Explanation—Here the first line tells us that shuddha-Bharnava drops pa' and ni and is प्रथम गतिगति that is it takes the komal ga and komal ni. The rest of the sloka describes the Magadeva who is the presiding deity of the raga.

I shall not go into all the slokas describing all the ragas here but shall write down the first raga Shuddha-Bharnava with its swaras as given in the book. The Raga Mala is a printed book now which can be had for a few annas.

हुद मैरव	स. हुदच गि, एङ्गति ग, हुदच म, हुदच प, हुदच व एङ्गति नि	Explanatory Note
१ धनाबी	ग, एङ्गति रि, एङ्गति ग, " " एङ्गतिग एङ्गतिनि	विपुगति = १
२ मैरवी	ग, " " " " " "	नदमगति = २
३ डेववी	ग, " " " " " "	मगति = ३
४ भावी	ग, हुदच गी, विगति म, " " हुदच व विगति नि	कनठगति = ४
५ बज्रवगी	ग, " " प्रथमगति " " एङ्गति नि	नदमगति = ५
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हुदगजः		
१ मैरव	ग, हु. री, विगति र, हु. म, हु. प, हु. व, एङ्गति नि	
२ हुदगति	ग, " " " " " " " " " " " "	It takes all notes of the shuddha-Bharnava
३ धनव	ग, " " " " " " " " " " " "	
४ धनव	ग, हु. री, विगति र, हु. म, हु. प, हु. व, विगति नि	It is the same as the first
५ धनव	ग, " " " " " " " " " " " "	

RAGA MANJARI

The third treatise of Pundarika which we consider is the Raga Manjari. In this treatise also the writer sticks to his shuddha scale. The names of shuddha and vikrita swaras, and the method of describing these are the same as those of the Raga Mala. We thus find in the treatise the following verses of the Raga Mala repeated :

वेदाचलोकश्रुतिपुत्रयोदश्यां श्रुतौ ततः ।
 सप्तदश्यां च विश्यां च द्वाविश्यां च श्रुतौ क्रमात् ॥
 षड्जादीनां स्थितिः प्रोक्ता प्रथमा भरतादिभिः ।
 असपाः पूर्वपूर्वस्मात् संचरंत्युत्तरोत्तरमः ॥
 त्रिखिर्गतीस्ते प्रत्येकं याति गश्च चतुर्गतिः ।
 यद्यद्रागोपयोगः स्यात्तच्चदिच्छागतिर्भवेत् ॥

These verses have already been discussed, and we shall not repeat the discussion here. Pundarika adds an explanation in which he compares some of his vikrit swaras with those of the southern system. He says :—

साधारणः कैशिकी चांतरकाकलिनौ यथा ।
 साधारणः कैशिकी द्वौ क्रमादुत्तिगनिक्रमः ॥

Translation.—The notes 'sadharana', 'kaishika', 'antara' and 'kakali', are only the first and the second gatis of gandhar and nishada. What he means is that sadharana and kaishika are the prathama gatis of gandhar and nishad respectively, and the antara and kakali are the second gatis of the same two notes, Sadharana ga corresponding with the prathama gati of ga and kaishika ni being the prathama gati of ni. Antar ga and kakali ni are the second gatis of ga and ni respectively.

ऊर्ध्वखलस्तु गांधारो मध्यमोपरिसंस्थितः ।
 मस्य त्रिगतिभेदाश्च मनुः पक्षांतिको नृपः ॥

Translation.—When the note gandhar rises to its last gati it coincides with the shuddha maddyama. The shuddha maddyama rises through three gatis or shrutis and bears the three names मनु मध्यम, पक्षांतिक मध्यम, and नृप मध्यम, respectively.

These gatis would practically be the sounds of the fourteenth, fifteenth and sixteenth srutis.

अथ कैशिकिनौ आद्यौ ऊर्ध्वखलौ द्वितीयकौ ।
 अत्युच्चं खलनामानौ तृतीयगतिकौ रिधौ ॥

Translation.—When ri and dha rise only one sruti each, they become 'kaishika' ri and 'kaishika dha' respectively. When they rise

two srutis, they become ऊर्ध्वस्रुत रि, ऊर्ध्वस्रुत घ. when they rise three srutis, they will be called अनुस्रुत रि घ respectively

A glance at the Sruṭi Svara chart of the Raga Mala will show clearly the positions of the swaras of the Raga Manjari also. The definitions of the terms वादी, सवादी, etc., are in no way different to those given in the Raga Mala. All ragas are founded on the shadja-grama alone

वद्वज्रग्रामाधितान् गगान् सर्वे गायन्ति गायकाः ।

तस्मान्मृग्यतमः वद्वज्रग्राम एव न चापरा ॥

On the question of the murchhanas, नट्टोद्दिष्ट and वर्ष Pundarika simply quotes the verses of Sharangdeva Pandit the author of the Sangeeta Ratnakara. It is to be remarked that none of the writers of the last three or four centuries, say anything useful about the jatis of Sharangdeva and Bharata, which evidently had gone out of use in their time. All music was confined to one grama, namely the shadja-grama, with its own shuddha and vikṛita swaras all complete. Thatas were constructed out of these swaras, and these thatas produced their own "janya-ragas". All ragas were based on a system of twelve shuddha and vikṛita swaras as a general rule. There were two leading shuddha scales in the country. The northern scale corresponded with our modern kafi scale, and the southern shuddha scale was the modern Kanakangi of the Karnatik system.

Query—When did the Bilawal scale come to be adopted as the shuddha scale of the Hindusthani music system? To this question there is no answer in any of the old Sanskrit treatises.

In the Raga-adhyaya Pundarika begins by laying down twenty thatas for the classification of his Janya-ragas. These thatas are

सुमारी सोमरागश्च टोडी गौडी वराटिका ।

केदारः शुद्धनाटश्च देशाक्षा देशिकारकः ॥

गारांगदेरिकम्पानकामोदाश्च द्विजेजिह्वः ।

नादरामकिर्दिदोर्ला कर्णाटश्च हर्मागकः ॥

मालववैशिकोऽथ भीरागरचेत्यनुक्त्वा ॥

The following chart will give the twenty thatas with their shuddha and vikṛita notes. The Hindustani equivalents will make the positions of the notes clear to the modern students.

राग नाम	सा	री	ग	म	प	ध	नि	हिंदुस्थानी स्वर नाम
१-पुष्यासी	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	सा री री म प ध ध सा
२-सोमराग	"	"	"	"	"	"	एकगति	सा री री म प ध नि सां
३-तोड़ी	"	"	एकगति	"	"	"	"	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
४-गौडी	"	"	तृतीय गति	"	"	"	तृतीय गति	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
५-यराटी	"	"	शुद्ध	तृतीय गति	"	"	"	सा री री म प ध नि सां
६-फदार	"	द्वितीय गति	तृतीय गति	शुद्ध	"	द्वितीय गति	"	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
७-शुद्धनाट	"	तृतीय गति	"	"	"	तृतीय गति	"	सा ग ग म प नि नि सां
८-देशादी	"	"	"	"	"	शुद्ध	"	सा ग ग म प ध नि सां
९-देशिकार	"	शुद्ध	"	तृतीय गति	"	"	"	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
१०-सारंग	"	द्वितीय गति	तृतीय गति	"	"	तृतीय गति	"	सा री म म प नि नि सां
११-आहेरी	"	"	एकगति	शुद्ध	"	शुद्ध	"	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
१२-कल्याण	"	"	तृतीय गति	तृतीय गति	"	"	"	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
१३-कामोद	"	शुद्ध	एकगति	"	"	"	एकगति	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
१४-हिजेज	"	"	"	शुद्ध	"	"	"	सा री ग म प ध नि सां Do. (In the Raga mala गुणविधुगति नि
१५-नादरामकी	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
१६-हिंदोल	"	द्वितीय गति	"	"	"	"	"	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
१७-कर्णट	"	"	तृतीय गति	"	"	तृतीय गति	तृतीय गति	सा री ग म प नि नि सां
१८-हंसीर	"	"	"	"	"	शुद्ध	"	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
१९-मालव कै०	"	एकगति	एकगति	"	"	एकगति	एकगति	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
२०-श्रीराग	"	"	तृतीय गति	"	"	"	"	सा री ग म प ध नि सां

मेल नाम	जन्य सगाः
१ मुखारी	१ मुखारी
२ सोमराग	१ सोमराग
३ गौड़ी	१ गौड़ी २ कर्णाटवंगाल ३ गुर्जरी ४ बहुली ५ आमावरी ६ रामकली, ७ मारु, ८ टक ९ गुणकरी १० शुद्धललित ११ पचम १२ पटमंजरी १३ मालवगौड़
४ टोड़ी	१ टोड़ी २ शुद्धमैत्र
५ वराटी	१ श्यामवराटी २ शुद्धवराटी
६ केदार	१ केदार २ गौड़ ३ मङ्गार ४ नट नारायण ५ बेलवली ६ भूपाली ७ कांबोजी ८ मधुमाधवी ९ शंकरामराग १० सावैरी ११ सुहृदी १२ नागायणी १३ केदारनाट
७ शुद्धधनाट	१ शुद्धनाट
८ देशाक्षी	१ देशाक्षी
९ देशकार	१ देशकार २ चावणी ३ देशी ४ ललित ५ दीपक ६ विमाम
१० सारंग	१ सारंग
११ ओढ़री	१ ओढ़री
१२ कल्याण	१ कल्याण
१३ कामोद	१ कामोद
१४ हिजेज	१ हिजेज २ अपरमैत्र
१५ नादरामकी	१ नादरामकी
१६ हिंदोल	१ हिंदोल २ वमत
१७ कर्नाट	१ कर्णाट २ सामत ३ सौराष्ट्री ४ जयानट ५ शुद्धवंगाल ६ तुक्कतोरी
१८ हमीर	१ हमीर
१९ मालव के.	१ मालवकेशिक २ मालवधी ३ धन्यामी ४ सैधवी ५ देवगांधार
२० श्री	१ श्रीराग

This list will no doubt be of great interest to the student of the
Hindustani system of music

Towards the end of the book, Pundarika takes note of a few Persian ragas which he perhaps found introduced into the Hindustani system by the Mohamedan musicians.

अन्येऽपि पारसीक्या रागाः परदनामकाः ।
 संपूर्णाः सर्वगमकाः काकर्षतः सदा ॥
 रहायी देवगांधार कानरच निशवरः ।
 साहि माहुरो नाम जंग्लोऽथ बंगालके ॥
 देव्यामाहंगको नाम बारा मल्हाररागके ।
 केदारोऽपि च मृदहा धनास्या च इरायिका ॥
 जिजावरया च हासेनी मालवे मुसलीककः
 कल्याणे यमनं गायेत् सर्पदोऽथ विलावले ॥
 देशिकरे बाम्तरजः आसावरया हिजेजकः ।
 देवगिर्या मुदाफार्य एवमन्येऽपि योजयेत् ॥

Pundarika has no doubt done a great service to the music scholar by giving these Persian melodies with their Indian equivalents. Possibly, the locative case termination of the Indian rāga name is intended to show that the Persian melody is not exactly the same as the Indian but that the two are founded on the same scale.

RASA-KAUMUDI

The author describes his place of residence and patron as follows :

स्थातो दिव्यकुलेऽमवदगुणनिधिर्विश्रोतमो मगलः ।
श्रीमद्विष्णुपदारविन्दपुगले मत्तस्तदीयात्मजः ॥
काव्यं काव्यकलाकलापकुशलः श्रीकण्ठनामा कविः ।
कुर्वेऽहं रमकोमुदीति निपुणः संगीतसाहित्ययोः ॥
द्वारावलाः सर्मापि नवनगरपुरे स्मापतिः पूर्वमागे ।
जामघीःसुशक्त्यः सकलजनमनोरञ्जकः पुण्यराशिः ॥
श्रीकण्ठस्तत्समायां कविरमलमतिर्विपते विप्रवर्यः ।
तेन प्रौढममैश्वर्यश्रुतिकरसुमगं रम्यते काव्यमेतत् ॥

from this it would appear that the author's name was Sri Kantha, and the book was written while he was in the service of the Jam Saheb of Nawa Nagar, a town near the well-known sacred city of Dwara

The General Arrangement of the Work.

The book is first divided into two khandas or parts. Each of these again contains five adhyayas or chapters. The first khanda with which we are concerned is called the Sangeet khanda, and the second deals with Sahitya or rhetoric. The contents of the first chapter of the first khanda are described in the following slokas

सर्गांतं प्रथमं तस्मात् पूर्वखंडे निगद्यते ।
साहित्यमुच्यते खंडे ग्रन्थस्यास्य क्रमो भवेत् ॥
अध्यायेर्दशमिर्विभूयिततनुः स्रग्द्वयेनोऽग्वला ।
स्वच्छंदं रसकौमुदी विजयते विद्वन्मनोरजिनी ॥
अध्यायैः किल पञ्चमिर्विचित्रं तथापखंडं परम् ।
स्रग् पञ्चमिरेव नव्यरचना साहित्यगंदोपकम् ॥
अध्याये प्रथमे तत्र चक्राणि नादमभवः ।
स्थानानि श्रुतयः शुद्धाः स्वराः सप्त विकारभाः ॥

वापादिमेदाश्रत्वागे मामौ तद्रूपमूर्धनाः ।
 शुद्धकूटाभिधास्तानाः प्रस्तरसङ्ख्यया ॥
 नष्टोद्दिष्टं महापाथ वर्णोऽलंकार संग्रहः ।
 वर्ण्यते कसश्चैते गीतशारप्रमाणतः ॥

This is the usual *पदार्थसंग्रह* of the *Swaradhyaya* of all ancient Sanskrit writers.

The author then deals with the different subjects mentioned in the last slokas in their order. We need not go into these details because there he borrows everything from older authors but puts the thing in his own way. The description of the *sruti* for instance is nothing more than a paraphrase of the *Naradi Shiksha* definition. The placing of the *swaras* again on the *srutis* is the same as that of the ancient writers. Thus :

स्वोपात्यश्रुतिसंस्थास्ते षड्जमध्यमपंचमाः ।
 भरतादिभिराचार्यैश्च्युतपूर्वोभिधा मताः ॥
 साधारणाभिधा गच्छेद्गो माचश्रुतिगो यदि ।
 अंतराख्यां ततो याति द्वितीयश्रुतिसंस्थितः ॥
 षड्जस्याप श्रुतिगतो निपादःकैशिको मतः ।
 वर्तमानो द्वितीयाया काकला स निगद्यते ॥
 स्वरास्ते मिलिताः सर्वे चतुर्दश भवन्ति ते ॥
 नो दृश्यते यया मार्गो मीनानां जलचारिणां ।
 यथा ज्योम्नि विहंगानां तथा स्वरगता श्रुतिः ॥

The only wonder is that the author does not find any difficulty in reconciling the definition of the *sruti* with the description of the *swaras*. Sri Kantha evidently recognises seven *shuddha* and seven *vikrita* *swaras* which he describes in the above slokas. His *swaras* may be compared with the modern *Hindusthani swaras* as follows :

Shri Kantha's swaras		Hindusthani swaras
१ शुद्ध सा ...	...	१ शुद्ध सा.
२ शुद्ध री ...	...	२ कोमल री.
३ शुद्ध ग ...	...	३ तीव्र री.
४ साधारण ग ...	...	४ कोमल ग.
५ अंतर ग ...	...	५ तीव्र ग.
६ उपात्य or पतम ...	...	६ तीव्रतम ग.
७ शुद्ध म ...	...	७ शुद्ध म.

८ उच्चात्यप ०१ पतप	...	...	८ तीव्र म.
९ शुद्ध प	...	...	९ शुद्ध प.
१० शुद्ध ध	...	...	१० कोमल ध.
११ शुद्ध नि	...	...	११ तीव्र ध.
१२ कैशिक नि	...	...	१२ कोमल नि.
१३ काकली नि	...	...	१३ तीव्र नि.
१४ उच्चात्य सा-पतमा	...	...	१४ तीव्रतम नि.

The ancient gramas are disposed off thus

षड्जमध्यमयोर्मध्ये षड्जस्य मुरुयता मवेत् ।
 आपत्वादितिलैपित्वाद्यथार्थवचनान्मुनेः ॥
 षड्जमध्यमजातानां मूर्छनानां परस्परम् ।
 किंचिद्विशेषत्वादिकम्बुज्ज्वलान् दतिलः स्फुटम् ॥
 तस्मात् मेनिरे ग्राभं मध्यम गुरवो मम ॥

Whatever his reason we see that he recognises only one grama namely the shadja grama. On the subject of murchhana, tana, alankara and prastara, he has hardly anything new to tell us. There is no evidence to show that he understood clearly the functions of the ancient gramas and murchhanas. Then comes the Raga Adhyaya. All music was based on twelve notes, as in the case of the other writers

अथ रागविवेकाख्ये द्वितीये वर्णने क्रमात् ।
 रागरतुतिस्तु बीणायाः प्रशस्ता तदनंतरम् ॥
 स्वराणां स्थापनं चैव मेदो वादनसंभवः ।
 विवेकश्चैव रागाणां स्थानानि गमकादयः ॥

In the Raga Adhyaya, he describes the Vina in full detail. The wires were tuned as follows :

ऊर्ध्वतंत्रीषु या वामे तस्यां सामनुमद्रकम् ।
 पचमेषानुमद्राख्य द्वितीयायां निवेशयेत् ।
 मद्रज्जं तृतीयायां चतुर्थ्यां मंद्रमध्यमम् ॥

This arrangement exactly tallies with that of Rama-Amatya and Somnath as will be seen later on. But Pundarika, tuned his wires in the same way. The placing of the frets is described in the following verses (Vide Pundarika's Vina Chart).

सागिनिवेशनं युक्तया क्रमतः प्रतिपद्यते ।
अनुमंद्रगतं गार्गी शुद्धौ रिः स्याद्यथा तथा ॥

नियेद्या प्रथमा सारी, तथा तन्त्र्या द्वितीयिका ।
शुद्धगार्गमिष्यर्थं, तथा तन्त्र्या तृतीयिका ॥

साधारणाग्न्यागार्गमिष्ये क्रमस्ततः ।
स्याद्यन्त्यैव तु योऽपि ऋतमप्यमहंतवे ॥

शुद्धमप्यमिष्यर्थं सारिका पंचमी तथा ।
तन्त्र्या तथा पुनः पक्षा पतपंचमसिष्ये ॥

शेषामिध त्रितन्त्राभिन्नतसारीषु ये स्वराः ।
वर्ण्येते ते क्रमेणैव शुक्ला मे यथादिताः ॥

पंचमेनानुमंद्रेण या तन्त्री समुपाधिता ।
तया द्वितीयया तन्त्र्या जायते शुद्धधैवतः ॥

ततः शुद्धनिपादास्तु निपादः कैशिकी पुनः ।
तत्पुस्ततात् पतः पङ्कजः शुद्धपङ्कजस्ततः परम् ॥

तत्पश्चादपमः शुद्धः पञ्चमे गदिताः स्वराः ।
जातौ द्वितीयया तन्त्र्या विशुद्धौ यौ सगौ स्वरो ॥

स्थाप्यौ नैव प्रयोगे तौ यतस्तन्त्र्या तृतीयया ।
जायेते तौ पुनर्मंद्रौ शुद्धौ वीणाविदोदितौ ॥

एतेऽनुमंद्रजाः प्रोक्ताः कथ्यन्ते मंद्रजाः क्रमात् ।
तन्त्र्या तृतीयया मंद्रस्तस्य सारीषु तास्वपि ॥

तथैव स्युः क्रमादेते स्वरा जनमनोहसः ।

तत्र तायतया तन्त्र्या विशुद्धमप्यमो भवेत् ॥

पतपंचमकः पश्चादप्रयोगौ पुनः स्वरो ।

संजायेते यतस्तन्त्र्या चतुर्ण्यामिति निर्णयः ॥

चतुर्ण्यापि पुनस्तन्त्र्या मंद्रमप्यमयुक्तया ।

पद्सु तास्वपि सारीषु भवेयुः क्रमशः स्वराः ॥

पतपः प्रथमः शुद्धपंचमस्तदनंतरम् ।

शुद्धोधः शुद्धनिः पश्चान्निपादः कैशिकी ततः ॥

पङ्कजः पतादिरित्येते प्रोक्ता मन्द्रस्वरा मया ।

पुरादितासु सारीषु तंत्रांमिश्र चतसृभिः ॥

अनुमंद्रस्तथा मंद्राः प्रोदिष्टास्ते स्वयं भुवः ।

स्वीयकल्पनया प्रोक्ताः प्रामाण्यं तेषु विद्यते ॥

शुद्धा मे यथोरिष्टा बीणायां सुप्रपंचिताः ।
 अत एवान्यथा कर्तुं भुवि कौं भवति क्षमः ॥
 सवादिनीं स्वरौ योज्यौ सर्वत्रापि परस्परम् ।
 मध्ये तारेऽनितरेऽपि योजनीया यथाक्रमम् ॥
 अंतरे कथिना नैव सारी काकलिनि स्त्रो ।
 सांकर्यं जायते यस्माद्वानुवृत्त्य भवेत्ततः ॥
 अंतरस्य स्वरस्यापि सूक्ष्मः काकलिनो ध्वनिः ।
 विचार्यो विस्तर्येण पतादिषड्जमप्यथोः ॥
 पतादि समयोः सामांशकैकमुक्तिर्वर्जितौ ।
 अंतर-काकलीं स्यातां तयोःप्रतिनिधी च तौ ॥

These verses clearly show that Sri Kantha had read the southern authorities Swara Mela Kalandhi and Raga Vibodha.

The प्रतिनिधि theory by which "antar" and "kakali" notes were represented by च्युत or पत मा and च्युत or पत सा, was known to Sri Kantha, and he mentions it in his work. In the southern music system of the present day, the notes antar and kakali represent च्युत मा and च्युत सा.

The shuddha thata of Sri Kantha is Mukhari which coincides with the southern shuddha scale. The author says:

यत्र शुद्धस्वराः सप्त भवेदुधितरजकाः ।
 स स्यान्मुखारिका मेलः सजातीया भवत्यतः ॥

He finds the shuddha scale, चित्तरजक but the Mukhari raga from it, he did not find so easy apparently.

सन्यासांशमहा पूर्णं सुस्वागी गीयते सदा ।
 कनिषिद्रमकैर्युक्ता कष्टसाध्या सुशुद्धिभिः ॥

The importance of remembering the देवतारमक रूप or picture of the raga, is mentioned as under.

श्यानं विना रागममूर्ध्वेत ।
 गायन्ति रागेऽनिपुणा जना ये ॥
 सगीतशास्त्रोक्तकलानि रागाः ।
 तेभ्यः प्रयच्छन्ति कदापि नैव ॥

Chart showing the nine thatas of Shrikantha with their Swaras:—

थाट नाम	स्वराः	हिंदुस्थानि स्वराः
१ मालव गौड	सा री ग म प ध नी सा, रीशब्द, पतम, शुद्धम, शुद्धप, शुद्धध, पतसा	सारी ग म प ध नि सा
२ री	सा, चतुश्चुतिरी, साधारणग, शुद्धम, शुद्धप, चतुःश्रुतिध, कैशिकनि	सारी ग म प ध नि सा
३ शुद्ध नाट	सा, त्रिभुतिग, पतम, शुद्धम, शुद्धप, त्रिभुतिनि, पतसा	सा ग ग म प नि नि सा
४ कर्णाट गौड	सा, शुद्धग, पतम, शुद्धम, शुद्धप, शुद्धनि, कैशिकनि	सारी ग म प ध नि सा
५ केदार	सा, शुद्धग, पतम, शुद्धम, शुद्धप, शुद्धनि, पतसा	सारी ग म प ध नि सा
६ महार	सा, शुद्धग, पतम, शुद्धम, शुद्धप, त्रिभुतिनि पतसा	सारी ग म प नि नि सा
७ देशाक्षी	सा, त्रिभुतिग, पतम, शुद्धम, शुद्धप, शुद्धनि, पतसा	सा ग ग म प ध नि सा
८ कल्याण	सा, शुद्धग, साधारणग, पतप, शुद्धप, शुद्धनि, पतसा	सारी ग म प ध नि सा
९ सारंग	सा, शुद्धग, { शुद्धम, शुद्धप, कैशिकनि, पतसा पतप.	सारी म म प नि नि सा त्रिशुद्धोपलजगांधारो तथा मध्यमपंचमो पताधौच समौ (समौ?) यत्र निपादः कैशिकी पुनः

भेल	जन्य जनक राग व्यवस्था
१ मालव गौड	१ मालव गौड २ सौराष्ट्र ३ गुजरी ४ मरहारी ५ बहुली ६ पाडी ७ गौडपंचम ८ भैरव ९ कर्णाट बंगाल (१०) ललित (११) गौडी. This is the भैरव थाट of Hindustani Music.
२ री	१ री २ मालवरी ३ घनाक्षी ४ भैरवी ५ देवगांधार. This is the Nor- thern Kaphi Thata.
३ शुद्ध नाट	१ शुद्ध नाट.
४ कर्णाट गौड	१ कर्णाट गौड. This Thata will correspond with the Nor- thern Khamaj.
५ केदार	१ बिलावली २ नटनारायण ३ शंकराभरण. This is the Hindustani Bilawal Thata.
६ महार	१ गौड मरहार २ कामोद.
७ देशाक्षी	१ देशाक्षी.
८ कल्याण	१ कामोद २ हमार.
९ सारंग	१ सारंग.

Explanatory Notes

शुद्ध री & शुद्ध ध	Northern	कोमल री & कोमल ध
शुद्ध ग & शुद्ध नि	„	तीव्र री & तीव्र ध
साधारण ग & कैशिक नि	„	कोमल ग & कोमल नि
पतसा, पतम & पतप		तीव्रतम नि, तीव्रतम ग & तीव्रतम म
विधुति ग & विधुती नि		कोमल ग & कोमल नि

After dealing with the Raga the author proceeds to some matters of general interest.

रागास्ते विविधाः प्रोक्ताः शुद्धाद्यालगास्ततः ।
 सक्तीर्नाथ पृथक् तेषां लक्षणं प्रनिपद्यते ॥
 अन्ये रागैर्नयुक्तास्ते रागाः शुद्धाः प्रकीर्तिताः
 आयालगा मताः प्राक्ते परत्तिपुताश्च ये ॥
 द्वयो रत्तिपुता ये तु सक्तीर्नास्ते निरूपिताः ।

The author does not say which Ragas come under each of these classes and why.

The Qualifications of male and female Singers are mentioned as follows :—

नानारागकलाकलापकुशलं विबाधेर्णोन्वताः ।
 गायिन्योऽखिलगीतवापनिपुणास्ताले हि दक्षा लये ।
 रम्याः कोकिलकंठममूलतरङ्गानाः प्रगल्भा रसे ।
 साक्षात् कामजयधियः सदसिताः क्षोमां परां तन्वते ।
 ध्वजपद्मिणीपरिष्कुटम्बनिलस्रक्तेयूरमाम्बिताः ।
 बीणाबादनचातुरीचयचमः करैः समामोहिनी ।
 श्रीरङ्गागककेसरोम्बलरसैरत्यन्तमास्वपनुः ।
 कौशेयविराजितातिमधुरा गाने रता गायिनी ॥
 विद्यानालापदक्षो गमकलयकलाकाकुबिज्ञोऽतिथारोऽ ।
 नन्यात्की क्षोयतिः सकलजनमनोरञ्जकः साविधानः ।
 शुद्धाद्यालग्नः भयमहिततनुः कोकिलमस्यकंठः ।
 तावामिहो महत्तः सुधुवि निगदिते गायकानां वरेण्यः ।

The different classes of Singers are described in the following Shlokas :—

रतं यो शिक्षते गीतं विश्वं प्राञ्जलं तथा ।
 शुद्धे वा सालये सम्यक् शिक्षाकारः स उच्यते ॥
 सुभाष्यं गीतमाकर्ष्य यो भवेत्पुलकान्वितः ।
 सानंदोऽद्भुतिराजीर्णो रसिको गायकः रमृतः ॥

नारसं सरसं कुर्वन् निर्मावं भावसंयुतं ।
 सान्वा श्रोतुरभिप्रायं यो गायेन् सतु भावुकः ॥
 मनोहरति गीतिन विदित्वा श्रोतुराक्षयम् ।
 रंगं गीते विधत्ते यो रंजकः सोऽभिधीयते ॥
 यथा शास्त्रप्रयोगेण मार्गं देहायमेव च ।
 यो गायति प्रियाक्षेमान् कथ्यतेऽसौ क्रियापरः ॥
 स्वरो वर्णश्च तालश्च स्पष्टं वाटयति स्वयं ।
 सुन्दरश्च निरंगुक्तः सुघटं तं प्रचक्षते ॥
 गीतादिषु द्विधा लसि कुर्यात् सौख्यविधायिनो ।
 आलासगायकः सोऽयं निर्दिष्टो गीतवेदिभिः ॥
 आलस्येऽपि यद्गीतं भवेदतिमनोहरं ।
 उक्तो गायकमेदं सौऽयं रूपकगायकः ॥
 नानाविधं विभक्तं च ध्वनौ यस्य भवेद्रतम् ।
 निबन्धः सतु विज्ञेयो गीततत्त्वविचक्षणैः ॥
 रागे रागांतरच्छाया मिश्रयोगोपवर्जितः ।
 प्रवीणत्वेन सगायन् बुधैर्मिश्र उदाहृतः ॥
 गायकदोषाः ।
 रसानुरूपरागानामस्तत्त्वमविदग्धता ।
 ग्राम्योक्तिरपक्षच्छब्दश्च प्रबन्धस्मानहीनता ॥
 विविधकाकुमेदाः ।
 शुतिमानाधिकतया रागे स्वरस्य कुत्रचित् ।
 छाया या दृश्यते तां तु स्वरच्छायां जगुर्बुधाः ॥
 या रागस्य निजच्छाया रागच्छायां तु तां विदुः ।
 रागे रागांतरच्छाया सैव स्यादन्यरागजा ॥
 रागस्योत्पत्तिभूक्षेत्रं शरीरं जगदुर्बुधाः ।
 तस्यैवानुकृतित्वाच्च क्षेत्रच्छायेति सा मता ॥
 बीणावंशादियंत्राद्या वंशच्छाया स्मृता बुधैः ।
 देशच्छायोत्थिता रागे देशच्छायोच्यते बुधैः ॥

Shrikantha then describes the old स्वस्थान चतुष्टय of the ancient writers and adds :—

सर्वगीतप्रबंधानामाढालसिरिष्यते ।
 आलसिः सा द्विधा प्रोक्ता विषमा सरला तथा ॥
 साक्षरा नाक्षरा सापि चतुर्धा भिद्यते ततः ।
 सतालतालभेदेन चतुर्धाप्यष्टधा ततः ॥

It is quite possible that Shrikantha like Pundarika Vithala came from the Southern Presidency and then settled in Kathiawar :—

The Works of Bhava Bhatta Pandit

We shall now proceed to consider the three works of Pandit Bhavabhatta, namely Anupa Sangita Vilas, Anupa Ratnakara, and Anupankusha. Bhavabhatta was in the service of the Rathod Rajput King Anupa Singh, the son of Karan Singh of Bikaner. Anupa Singh was a contemporary of the Emperor Aurangzeb. Bhavabhatta's father, Janardan Bhatta was in the service of the Emperor Shah Jehan, the great Mogul-Emperor of Delhi. It is quite possible that during the reign of Aurangzeb, who was not over fond of music, the Court musicians of Shah Jehan, got scattered and Janardan Bhatta or his son Bhava Bhatta took service at Bikaner. Bhava Bhatta in his Anupa Vilasa, mentions his family and residence as follows —

इति जलौघे भूत्वा नमस्सहस्रं त्रिजोत्तमात् ।
 सख्यमानमाहूय प्रस्थापितः स्वदासेषु ॥
 ततः पश्यत् तं राजा नामगोपकुलानि च ।
 क्षणं विमृश्य तत्सर्वं श्रूय मायः सविस्तरम् ॥
 कृष्णात्रगोत्रसमूहं कुलमाभीरदेशजम् ।
 पुरधवलमित्याहुः प्रपिता तानमदृक् ॥
 पिता जनार्दनः साक्षाज्जनार्दन इवापरः ।
 मातुः स्वप्नमवा नाम मातुः पुनः स्वपूर्वजैः ॥
 विक्रान्तो मानसो मायः पदवीं महसंक्षिका ।
 महः पूजये स्मृतः कोटो श्रीमदमरकोटक ॥
 तेनेद मायमद्वैति कीर्तितं शायममवम् ।
 तीर्थत्रिकं तु संगीतं संगीती तप्त उच्यते ॥
 घनदयामेन चातुष्टुप्चक्रवर्तिनि कीर्तितम् ।
 श्रीमत्साहिजह्मपुनिलकोटुत्तमानुना ॥
 श्रीमत्साहिजह्मपुनिल रायपदं ततः ।
 श्रीमायमद्वैतसंगीतरायानुष्टुप्चक्रवर्ती ॥
 एवं नावेद जाते श्रीमदनुपविमो मम ।

It would thus appear that the poet was born in Dhavalpur in the Abhir district, (Malwa). He was a Brahmin by caste and his gotra was Kshatriya. His mother's name was Swapnabhava and his father's name was Janardan Bhatta. Janardan Bhatta was given by the Emperor Shah Jehan, the title of Sangeeta Raj. According to research scholars, Anupa Singh ruled in Bikaner from 1674 A D to 1709 A D. Bhava Bhatta's own title was "Anushtupa-Chakravarti-Sangeeta-Raj." The whole material of the Swaraadhyaya of Anupa Vilas has been borrowed from the Sangeeta Ratnakara of Sharang Deva. The author does not give us the impression that he clearly followed the theories of

the Ratnakara. He quotes from several other treatises both anterior and subsequent to the Ratnakar. It is said by some of our modern scholars that Pandit Bhava is more of a compiler than an original author. To some extent, I think they are right. In the Anupa Vilas, the author, after describing "Nada" and "Sangeeta" in the usual way, copies the whole of the पिंडोत्पत्तिप्रकरण from the Ratnakara, under the name शरीरभावप्रकाश. Next he deals with the theory of the productions of 'Nada'. Then comes the description of the 22 srutis and the swaras based on them. He brings in a lot of unnecessary detail from the commentary of Kallinath too, on the sruti-svara, Prakarana. Srutis are divided into two classes "gatraja", and "yantraja".

कैश्चिदन्यानि नामानि श्रुतीनां कथितानि तु ।

तन्मते गात्रजाश्चोर्ध्वं यंत्रजाश्चापरा मताः ॥

The usual तीव्रा, कुमुद्वती, मंदा, छंदोवती । and others are the 'गात्रज' Shrutis; the Shrutis are,

निष्कला	रसगीतिका (न्हस्वगीतिका)	नादांता
गूढा	रंजिका	सौम्या
सकला	पूर्णा	भाषागिका
मधुरा	अलंकारिणी	वार्तिका
ललिता	वैणिका	व्यापका
एकाक्षरा	वल्लिता	प्रसन्ना
शृंगजाति	त्रिस्थाना	सुभगा
		नंदना

The distinction between the sruti and the swara is attempted to be explained by quotations from Parijata, Ratnakar, Sringara-har, and Raga Kutuhala. It is not necessary to go into these quotations here. Each of the seven swaras is then described with its picture, presiding deity, "dwipa," in a wealth of detail, of hardly any practical use. The definitions of 'grama', 'murchhana', 'jati', 'varna', 'shuddha tana', 'kuta tana', and 'alankara', are all taken from the Sangeeta Ratnakara and the Parijata. Sharangdeva Pandit in the description of his vikrit swaras has used the term 'chyuta' and with reference to it, Bhava Bhatta says :—

ग्रामस्वरो मेरुसंस्थो ध्रुवत्वात्स्यात् कथं च्युतः ।

च्युतस्यापि कथं तस्याच्युतत्वं परिकीर्तितम् ॥

उच्यते भावमष्टेन ग्रामस्वरश्रुतिर्नहि ।

पङ्कजग्रामे मध्यमस्य पङ्कजस्यापि च मध्यमे ॥

भिन्नग्रामे च्युतिरस्ति स्वग्रामे न कदाचन ।

This only shows that Bhava Bhatta was unable to follow the music system expounded by Sharangdeva. There is reason to believe that the suddha thata of Bhava Bhatta was the same as that of Pundarika. It is no doubt extremely difficult to find out what was really the author's own system. I admit, he adds in some places the expression स्वमते to the quotation. But the question what was his own system of music still remains.

On the question of the vikrita swaras, Bhava Bhatta says.—

द्वादशविकृतान् पूर्वे वदति तपनु पृषक् पृषक् ध्वनितः ।
सप्तैव स्युर्मित्रा नपंच यदिमे समम्बनयः ॥ रागविशेषे ।
चत्वारिंशत् तु ते प्रोक्ता व्याधिका मावसमताः ॥

All these forty-two vikritas, are based on the twenty-two srutis which form the basis of the system. We have already seen that Ahobala had twenty-nine swara names. Bhava Bhatta goes a step further, and adopts forty-two swara names. Strangely enough, he omits to say anything about these vikritas in his raga descriptions.

In the Raga Adhyaya, the Pandit begins by mentioning the 234 ragas of the Sangeeta Ratnakara by name and then turns to those of the Sangeeta Parijata. The "upanga ragas" of Bilawal, Kedar, Gouri, Punya, and so forth deserve notice. On the different varieties of Kanada, he gives us two excellent Hindi, "sawais", which are —

जो दरवागि सो सुद्ध कहावे मलारमिलाएके नायकि जानो ।
बागेसरी घलासिरिके मिले मेषमिले तैं अचाना जानो ।
होत सदानो मिले फरदस्त के दुरिया जेतसिरीसुरगानो ।
मंगल अष्टक सोहि कहावत मावकहे छटमेदनजानो ॥
मुद्रिकगारोहुसेनिओकाझामिलेविध मेदवछानत हैजू ।
सोरटि और खबावतिसो मिले द्वादशमेदयोमानत हैजू ।
कर्नाटगौर ओ कर्नाटमेद द्वैयो पुनिमेद बछानत हैजू ।
मूरचना महअंसओ न्यासवि मेल मिलावविजानत हैजू ।

These two verses throw a good deal of light on the Hindusthani varieties of the Kanada Raga.

In the Anupa Vilas, the Pandit deals with about 70 ragas. In defining each raga, he quotes the opinion of the following treatises:—

(१) सगीततत्त्वाकर (२) सगीत पारिजात (३) सगीत दर्पण (४) सङ्कीर्णरागाध्याय
(५) नृत्यनिर्णय (६) हृदयशकल (७) रागमञ्जरी (८) रागतरङ्गविशेष (९) सङ्गमचन्द्रोदय
(१०) रागविशेष.

He leaves his readers to find out the *Thatas* and the *Swaras* of the *Ragas* for themselves.

We have already discussed some of the authorities of *Bhava-bhatta*. The *Ragas* described by *Bhavabhatta* in the *Anupa Vilas* are:—

अढाना	गुरुक्तोडी	भूपाली	विभास
अजन	तांशी	भैरव	विहंगद
आसावरी	प्रावणी	भैरव भेद	वेलावली
कल्याण	दीपक	भैरवी	शंकरारभरण
कामोद	देवगाधार	मंगलकौशिक	श्यामनाट
कामोर्जी	देशकार	मंजुवोषा	शुद्ध नाट
कोरहास	नट	मन्तारी	श्री
केदार	नटनारायण	मालवश्री	सामंत
कुकुभ	नीलावरी	मालव कौशिक	सारंग
कुर्जरी	नारायण गौड	मालवी	सिहरव
गोडसारंग	पटमजरी	मुत्तारी	सुरालय
गौरी	परज	मेघनन्द	सुचराई
घंटारव	पहाडी	रक्तहंस	सुहवी
धक्रधर	बंगाल	ललिता	सैधवी
छायानट	बहुली	वराही	सौराष्ट्री
जयावन्ती	बंगाली	वर्णनाटः	हंमीर
जैतभी	मिश्रपञ्च	वसंत	

With the exception of the *Ratnakara* and *Sangeeta Darpana* all the authorities quoted by the author have been discussed in this paper and it will therefore not be very difficult to determine the *Thatas* and the forms of their *Ragas*.

Anupa Sangita Ratnakara

In the *swara adhyaya* of this work again, *Bhava Bhatta* gives us nothing original on the question of *sruti*, *swara*, *grama*, *murchhana*, *tana*, *varna*, and *alankara*. He copies almost everything from the *Sangeeta Ratnakara*. "*Alapti*", "*dhrupada*" and "*quada*" are defined as under.

वर्णालंकारसंपन्ना गमकस्यायचित्रिता ।

आलप्तिरुच्यते तज्ज्ञैर्वहुवैचित्र्यसंयुता ॥

अथ ध्रुवपद लक्षणम् ।

गीर्वाणमप्यदेशीयभाषासाहित्यराजितम् ।

द्विचतुर्वच्यसंपन्नं नरनारीकथाश्रयम् ॥

शृङ्गारस्य भावाद्य रागालापपदस्यम् ।
 पादातिता प्रसप्त पादातिपुगकं च वा ॥
 प्रतिपाद यत्र नदमेव पादचतुष्टयम् ।
 उद्गाहभुवका भोगान्तरं भुवपदं स्मृतम् ॥
 अथ क्वाड लक्षणम् ।
 काश्चित्तालपुत्रस्य प्रयोगबहुलद्रुतम् ।
 संकीर्णनिकृतिभिः प्रवृत्तं सुमनोहरम् ॥
 कुआडाख्यां च तद्वर्णैः तालरूप विचक्षणः ।
 अन्यैकदिविचतुस्तालानां मेलन मिथः ॥
 क्रियालयविभागेन कुआडः परिकीर्तितः ॥

These definitions may be found somewhat interesting and un-
 structive. In the Raga Adhyaya the varieties of some of the popular
 ragas are enumerated as follows.—

अधनाटप्रभेदानामुद्देशः कियतेऽधुना ।
 शुद्धनाटोऽथ सारंगनाटश्चाद्यादिनाटकः ॥
 केदारादिकनाटश्च तथा कल्याणनाटकः ।
 तथाभीरकनाटश्च वराटीनाटकस्तथा ॥
 ततः सारंगनाटश्च ततः कामोदनाटकः ।
 वर्णनाटश्च विष्णुसनाटो हंभीरनाटकः ॥
 कदंबनाटकः पूर्यानाटः कर्णाटनाटकः ।
 पूर्याकर्णाटकोऽप्यत्रनाटभेदाः प्रकीर्तिताः ॥ इतिनाटः ।
 शुद्धकर्णाटरागश्च कर्णाटो नायकी ततः ।
 चागीश्वर्यादि कर्णाटः कर्णाटोऽष्टाणपूर्वकः ॥
 ततःसाहनाकर्णाटः पूरियादिस्ततःपरम् ।
 ततो मुन्द्रिककर्णाटो गाराकर्णाटकस्ततः ॥
 हूमेनीपूर्वकर्णाटः काफीकर्णाटकस्ततः ।
 सोरठीपूर्वकर्णाटः खभावत्यदिकस्ततः ॥
 ततः कर्णाटगौडः स्यात् । कर्णाट्यस्ते धनुर्दश ॥

Then follow the varieties of Kalyana, कल्याण, बिलावली, तोवी, गौरी,
 गौड, वराटी, आमावरी, केदार, विहगज, सारंग, भीरव, कामोद, शुद्धी, सैधवी मलार. It will be
 useful for the music scholars to make an attempt to collect and
 preserve in a central place old songs of these varieties from
 the living artists in the country.

All this will show that Hindusthani music was going through wonderful changes and that there were great artists in those Mahomedan times. I only wish Bhava Bhatta had taken the trouble to carefully define or describe all these "upanga ragas". His omission has left us, no doubt, in a very unfortunate position. It appears he was a great admirer of Pundarika. In the Raga-Adhyaya of Ratnakara, he has practically adopted the raga classification of the Raga Manjari of that writer. He says :—

टोडीगौरीवराटीनां केदारशुद्धनाटयोः ।
मालवाकैशिकार्यस्य श्रीरागस्य ततः परम् ॥
हमीरहेमकल्याणौ देशाक्षौ देशिकारकः ।
सारंगस्य च कर्णोदः स कामोदो हिजेजकः ॥
नादरामकिर्हिंदोलौ मुखारी सोमरागकः ।
एतेषां मेलसंज्ञातराणां च यथायथम् ॥
लक्षणं वक्ष्यते किंतु लोकवृत्तानुसारतः ॥

Then these thatas with their proper swaras and their janya ragas are faithfully copied from the Manjari. Be it stated here that Bhava Bhatta does not conceal the fact that he has copied these all from the Manjari. He then gives the definitions of some of our popular ragas, and while giving them, he cites as authorities the opinion of other granthas. All the three works of Bhava Bhatta are printed and published now, and so we shall not go into the details of his ragas. We have fully discussed almost all his authorities and so the swara and other details of these ragas will be easily followed by the reader. Bhava Bhatta has added hundreds of old dhrupadas under the different ragas. But as they are not set to any notation, I have not thought it fit to include any of them here. Many of these no doubt can be fitted to music by some of our eminent artists.

Anupa-Ankusha

This is comparatively a small work. In the sruti-svara prakarana the author says:—

सरिगमाः पधौ नीति सरिगमाः पधौ नि च ।
सरिगमाः पधौ नीति स्थानत्रयमिदं जगुः ॥
प्रथमं सप्तकं मंद्रं द्वितीयं मध्यमं स्मृतम् ।
तृतीयं तारसंज्ञं स्यादेवं स्थानत्रयं मतम् ॥
मंद्रादर्थं तु मध्यं स्यान्मध्यार्थं तारसप्तकम् ।
उत्तरोत्तरसंकोचस्वाकाशे भवतिस्फुटम् ॥

सममागमकल्पोऽयं न साधु मन्यते बुधैः ।
 तस्माद्भावास्तुविदमाः कल्पिता मरुतादिभिः ॥
 षट्षष्टिगाः श्रुतयोऽप्यत्र ह्युद्धानत्रयममागमे ।
 द्वाविंशतिप्रमेदेन संख्या द्वाविंशतिर्मता ॥

The sruti is defined thus—

स्वरूपमात्रधवणाद्यादोज्ज्वलनं विना ।
 श्रुतिरित्युच्यते भेदास्तस्या द्वाविंशतिर्मताः ॥

The ancient writers are fond of defining the sruti as a sound devoid of "anuranan". When a shruti has the "anuranan" added to it, it becomes a swara. I do not think they had any clear notion of this fine distinction. Thus leads to the question what is "anuranan". Some of our modern scholars, read the modern "harmonics" into that ancient term. I do not think, of course their view is right. The ancients so far as could be judged from their writings had no knowledge of our modern harmonics, "Anuranan" according to them was nothing more than a prolonged or sustained note. Pandit Kallinatha I think, in one place calls it "pratidhwani". In the vadyadhyaya while describing the different "guna's or qualities of वद प्रकरण in the पूरकार Sharangdeva says —

खिण्णता घनता रतिर्व्यक्तिः प्रचुरता ध्वनेः ।
 लालिल कोमलत्वं च नादानुरणनं तथा ॥
 निश्चयान्वत् सावकत्वं साधुर्यं सारवानता ।
 द्वादशेति गुणाः प्रीताः पूरकरे सुविशर्जिणा ॥

Kallinath explains the "anuranan" referred to here in his commentary on the Ratnakara, at page 251. A 'nada' accompanied by its "anuranan", he calls मृगननाद. And says —

मृगणस्तु तैलघातवत् अष्टिद्रो घोरसमन्तः । रनाकरो ।

This evidently is not what we understand by the modern Harmonics.

In the Raga Adhyaya of the Sangeeta Anupankusha, Bhava Bhatta adopts the classification of the ragas given in the Sangeeta Darpana and without taking the least trouble to solve these ragas according to the definition given in that book, cites under each raga, the opinions of Sangeeta Panjara, Hridaya Prakasha and Raga Manjari. This is no doubt unpardonable and even misleading. But we do not know what the motive of the author really was in resorting to this procedure and so can give no further explanation. To illustrate —

श्रीमञ्जनादेन नत्वा संगीतार्थफलप्रदं ।
 तन्मते भावमष्टेन रागालपनमंजरी ॥
 भैरवः कौशिकश्चैव हिंदोलो दीपकस्तथा ।
 श्रीरागो मेघ रागश्च षड्भेते पुरुषाः स्मृताः ॥
 मध्यमादिभैरवाच्च वंगाली च वराटिका ।
 सैधवी पंचमी प्रोक्ता भैरवस्य वरांगनाः ॥
 टोडी खंवावती गौडी गुणक्री ककुमा तथा ।
 मालकौशिकरागस्य योपितः पंच कीर्तिताः ॥

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अथ भैरवः ।

पारिजाते—भैरवे तु रिपौ नस्तौ धादिमे न्यासमध्यमे ।
 तथोक्तौ तु गनी तत्रौ कोमलो धैवतः स्मृतः ॥
 हृदयप्रकाशे—संपूर्णो भैरवः प्रोक्तो गांधारादिक मूर्च्छनः
 मंजर्याम्—रिहीनो भैरवः सत्रिः प्रातर्गेयो मुनीश्वरैः ॥

अथ मध्यमादिः ।

पारिजाते—मध्यमादौ धगौ नस्तौ मूर्च्छना मध्यमादिका
 तत्र त्वंशस्वराः प्रोक्ता रिमनयो मुनीश्वरैः ॥
 सत्रिः प्रातरसौ गेया रिधास्त मध्यमादिका ॥
 हृदयप्रकाशे—मध्यमादिर्गहीनत्वात् षाड्वा मध्यमादिका ॥

This procedure is most ridiculous. It certainly is not such as would enhance the reputation of a scholar, who adds to his name the title of "Anushtupa-Chakravarti-Sangeeta-Rai".

Many of these definitions will be contradictory and leave the reader at sea.



SWARA-MELA-KALANIDHI

Having finished the leading ancient authorities on the Northern system of Music, we shall now turn our attention to those of the Southern system. So far as I can judge, there are only five of them which deserve special attention and these are —

स्वरमेल कलानिधि, रागविबोध, संगीतसारामृत, चतुर्दशप्रकाश and रागलक्षणम्

It is rightly claimed by the southern musicians that their music has kept a faithful touch with their ancient works I do not think they claim that they sing the music of Sharangdeva now But I do believe they will be in a position to show that their music has a long tradition of three or four centuries behind it Some of their ragas, I am told, have lately got mixed up with our northern ones But these do not affect the great system which they have inherited from their ancient writers The first southern work which we shall take up for discussion will be the Swara-Mela-Kalanidhi. This book was written by Rama Amatya in shaka year 1472 corresponding with 1550 A D The date of the work as given by the author is as follows —

शाके नेत्रधराधराधिधरणीगण्येऽथ साधारणे ।

शवे भावणमावि निर्मलतरे पक्षे दशम्या तिथौ ॥

According to this the actual date comes to be Shravan Shuddha 10th, of the year named SADHARANA The work, therefore, is more than 350 years old Barring the commentary of Kallinatha on the Sangeeta Ratnakara, no other complete work is at present available to show the development of music between the Ratnakara and the Swara Mela Kalanidhi, and we are therefore not in a position to say anything definite about the music of that period There is, however, some evidence in the commentary of Kallinath to show that he was a southern musician and that his music system was not different from that of Rama Amatya, and the other subsequent writers We shall come to that point after we finish with the Swara Mela Kalanidhi Rama Amatya divides the book into five chapters, namely :

(१) उपोद्यात प्रकरण (२) स्वर प्रकरण (३) बीजा प्रकरण (४) मेल प्रकरण (५) रागप्रकरण.

In the swara-prakaran, the author after dividing music into the two divisions "gandharav" and "gana", defines these technical names thus :

अनादिसंप्रदायं यद्वर्धैवैः संप्रयुज्यते ।
नियतं श्रेयसो हेतुस्तद्गां धर्मे प्रचक्षते ॥
यत्तु वाग्गेयकारेण रचितं लक्षणान्वितम् ।
देशीरागादिषु प्रोक्तं तद्वानं जनरंजनम् ॥

Translation.—“Gandharva” music is the music that has come down to us from times immemorial. Its only object is the salvation of man. It is sung and played by the Gandharvas (celestial Musicians) only. The music which is composed by our learned men and which has modern rules and which is expressed in deshi ragas is called “gana”. It is intended to please men.

Observation.—The suggestion is that all the ragas which we now sing will be “deshi” music only and not “margi”. The rules of “gandharva” music were most rigid and could never be violated. Not so the rules of “gana” music.

तत्र लक्ष्मानुरोधेन गांधर्वं संप्रयुज्यते ।
यत्र लक्ष्मपरित्यागे प्रत्यवायो न विद्यते ॥
तस्माद्भक्ष्यप्रधानं तच्चतु लक्ष्मप्रधानकम् ।
परित्यागेऽत्र लक्ष्यस्य रजनं नैव जायते ॥
तस्माद्भक्ष्यानुसेधेन गानं लोके प्रवर्तते ॥

The author has evidently taken this distinction between Gandharva and gana from the Ratnakara. Sharangdeva in the Vadyadhyaya of his Ratnakara says :—

यद्वा लक्ष्यप्रधानानि शास्त्राण्येतानि मन्वते ।
तस्माद्भक्ष्यविरुद्धं यत्तच्छास्त्रं नेयमन्यथा ॥

The author then proceeds to the twenty two srutis and the seven shuddha swaras. He does not name the srutis. The distribution between the srutis and the swaras is the old one.

तत्र तुर्यश्रुतौ षड्जः सप्तम्यांमृषभो मतः ।
ततो नवम्यां गांधारस्त्रयोदश्यां तु मध्यमः ॥
पंचमः सप्तदश्यां तु धैवतो विंशतिश्रुतौ ।
द्वाविंश्यां तु निषादः स्यात् श्रुतिष्वित्थं स्वरोद्भवः ॥
एते षड्जादयः सप्तस्वराः शुद्धाः प्रकीर्तिताः ।
विकृताश्चैव सप्तैवेत्येवं सर्वे चतुर्दश ॥

Rama Amatya recognises seven shuddha and seven vikrita swaras. The importance of this work to the music scholar lies in the

fact that Rama Amatya tries to connect some of his ideas with those of Sharangdeva. About his vikritas, Rama Amatya says as follows. He anticipates a question and answers it thus. —

ननु रत्नाकरे शाङ्गदेवेन विहताः स्वराः ।
द्वादशोक्ता कथं ते तु सप्तैव कथितास्त्वया ॥

Translation — Sharangdeva Pandit in his Ratnakara lays down twelve vikrita notes. How do you say they are only seven? Answer —

सत्यं लक्षणतो मेदो द्वादशानामप्युच्यते ।
शुद्धेभ्यस्तत्र मेदस्तु सप्तानामेव लक्षितः ॥

Translation — True, technically speaking there will be twelve vikrita swaras, but there are as a matter of fact only seven vikritas really distinct from the shuddha swaras.

Observation — He means to say that the remaining five are only different names for the shuddha swaras.

The test of a vikrita, laid down by the author is —

अक्षरश्रुतिसत्यागाद्व्यभिमेदः प्रवर्तितः ॥

He then shows, how some of the vikrita swaras fail to satisfy the test, and need not be recognised as separate vikritas.

शुद्धस्वरादप्युत्तरं सप्तज्ञो नैव भिद्यते ।
अप्युक्तो मध्यमः शुद्धान्मध्यमाय भिदो मजेत् ॥
शुद्धस्वमात्रं विहतां त्रिभो न पृथग्भवेत् ।
विहतां चैवतः शुद्धाद् भवतामतिरिच्यते ॥
मध्यमश्रुत्युपादाने विहताः पंचमस्तु यः ।
विहताश्चैव पञ्चमाय भेदः चाश्रुते भुवन् ॥

It will not be permissible to go here into the reasoning of Rama Pandit, because we have omitted the Sangeeta Ratnakara from our present discussion.

The following chart will clearly show the positions of the shuddha and vikrita swaras of Rama Amatya.

धुतिनाम	शुद्ध स्वर	विकृत स्वरनाम	हिंदुस्थानी स्वरनाम	European
१ तीव्रा	...	कैशिक निषाद	कोमल निषाद	bB
२ कृमुदती	...	काकळि निषाद	तीव्र निषाद	B
३ मंदी	...	स्मृतपञ्ज निषाद	नान्ततमनिषाद (if necessary)	
४ मंदोपती	पञ्चम	...	गुद्ध पञ्चम	C
५ मयापती	...	...
६ मयती	...	...
७ मयिका	कयम	...	कोमल कयम	bD
८ तीव्री	...	...		D
९ मयिती	गोधार	पंचधुनि मयम	तीव्र कयम	bE
१० मयिका	...	गोधारप म or पट-धुति रि	कोमल गोधार	E
११ मयारिणी	...	अंतर गोधार	तीव्र गोधार	
१२ मयिनि	...	स्मृतमध्यम गोधार	तीव्रतम गोधार (if necessary)	
१३ मयिती	मध्यम	...	गुद्ध मध्यम	F
१४ मयिती	...	...
१५ मयिती	...	...
१६ मंदोपिनी	...	स्मृतपंचम मध्यम	तीव्र मध्यम	F#
१७ मयारिणी	पंचम	...	गुद्ध पंचम	G
१८ मयिती	...	...
१९ मयिणी	...	...
२० मय्या	धैवत	...	कोमल धैवत	bA
२१ उमा	...	...
२२ मयिणी	निषाद	पंचधुति धैवत	तीव्र धैवत	A
२ तीव्रा	...	कैशिक निषाद	कोमल निषाद	bB
२ कृमुदती	...	पटधुति धैवत } काकळी निषाद	तीव्र निषाद	B
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With the help of this chart, the following descriptions of the vikṛita swaras could be easily followed

सप्तानी विहृतानी तु सोऽंश लक्ष्म चक्षुः ।
 श्रुतपञ्चमपुनोमधःपुनःस्वार् पञ्चमस्तथा ।
 स्वात् साधारणगाधारोऽनर्गाधार एव च ।
 स्वात् कैशिर्निषादोऽध्वन्यः बाहुलि निषादकः ॥

These are, says the author, the real seven vikṛita swaras of Ratnakara. His own vikṛitas, corresponding with these would be the following. —

श्रुतपञ्चमस्य लक्ष्ये निषादत्वेन कीर्तितः ।
 श्रुतपञ्चमनिषादमिधानं तस्य विधीयते ॥
 श्रुतस्य मध्यमस्यापि गाधारव्यवहारतः ।
 श्रुतमध्यमगाधारमहाऽरम क्रियते मया ॥
 श्रुतपञ्चममाचष्टे लोका मध्यममहया ।
 अस्मामिः कथ्यते सोऽयं श्रुतपञ्चममध्यमः ॥

Rama retains the remaining four Vikṛit names साधारण गाधार, अंतर गाधार, वैदिक नि & कर्करी निषाद.

Following the modern practice, he gives some parallel names for some of his vikṛitas.

लक्ष्येऽयं कुञ्चिश्रुतगाधारस्थानमाधयन् ।
 कथमकीर्तयतेऽस्मामिः पञ्चश्रुतुर्गमादयः ॥
 स साधारणगाधारस्थानस्थो रिपयो यदि ।
 लक्ष्यानुसारतः प्रीत्यस्ततः पञ्चश्रुतिरेव सः ॥

The same reasoning is to apply to the note dhaivata. Thus four new names come in. Namely :—(१) पञ्चश्रुति कथम, (२) पञ्चश्रुति कथम, (३) पञ्चश्रुति कथम & (४) पञ्चश्रुति कथम. It will, however, be seen that these new swara names do not really increase the number of the vikṛitas, because they are only other names for the old swaras. The fourteen swaras of Rama Amātya, therefore, are :—

श्रुतिनाम	शुद्ध स्वर	विकृत स्वरनाम	हिंदुस्थानी स्वरनाम	European
१ तीव्रा	...	कैशिक निषाद	कोमल निषाद	bB
२ कुमुद्वती	...	काकलि निषाद	तीव्र निषाद	B
३ मंदा	...	च्युतपड्ज निषाद	तीव्रतमनिषाद (if necessary)	
४ लंदोवती	पड्ज	...	शुद्ध पड्ज	C
५ दयावती	...	...
६ रंजनी	...	...
७ गत्तिका	ऋषभ	...	कोमल ऋषभ	bD
८ रौद्रो	...	...		D
९ क्रोधी	गांधार	पंचश्रुति रिषभ	तीव्र ऋषभ	bE
१० वज्रिका	...	साधारण ग or पट् श्रुति रि	कोमल गांधार	E
११ प्रसारिणी	...	अंतर गांधार	तीव्र गांधार	F
१२ प्रीति	...	च्युतमध्यम गांधार	तीव्रतम गांधार (if necessary)	
१३ मार्जनी	मध्यम	...	शुद्ध मध्यम	F
१४ क्षिति	...	...
१५ रक्ता	...	...
१६ मंदोपिनी	...	च्युतपंचम मध्यम	तीव्र मध्यम	F#
१७ आलापिनी	पंचम	...	शुद्ध पंचम	G
१८ मर्दती	...	...
१९ रोहिणी	...	...
२० रम्या	धैवत	...	कोमल धैवत	bA
२१ उग्रा	...	...
२२ क्षोभिणी	निषाद	पंचश्रुति धैवत	तीव्र धैवत	A
१ तीव्रा	...	कैशिक निषाद	कोमल निषाद	bB
२ कुमुद्वती	...	काकली निषाद	तीव्र निषाद	B
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With the help of this chart, the following descriptions of the vikṛita swaras could be easily followed.

सप्तानां विहृतानां तु सोऽस्य लक्ष्म चक्ष्मदे ।
 श्रुतपङ्क्त्युत्तमश्च श्रुतः स्यात् पञ्चमस्तथा ।
 स्यात् साधारणगंधारोऽन्तरगंधार एव च ।
 स्यात् वैशिकनिषादोऽप्यस्य बाहुलिनेषादकः ॥

These are, says the author, the real seven vikṛita swaras of Ratnakara. His own vikṛitas, corresponding with these would be the following :—

श्रुतपङ्क्त्युत्तमो लक्ष्मे निषादत्वेन कीर्तितः ।
 श्रुतपङ्क्त्युत्तमनिषादाभिधानं तस्य विधीयते ॥
 श्रुतस्य मध्यमस्यापि गंधारव्यवहारतः ।
 श्रुतमध्यमगंधारसहास्रम क्तिपते मया ॥
 श्रुतपञ्चममावृष्टे लोका मध्यममस्तथा ।
 अस्माभि कथ्यते गोष्ठ्य श्रुतपञ्चममध्यमः ॥

Rama retains the remaining four Vikṛit names साधारण गंधार, अंतर गंधार, वैशिक नि & शकरी निषाद.

Following the modern practice, he gives some parallel names for some of his vikṛitas,

लक्ष्मेश्च कुत्रचित्पङ्क्त्युत्तमगंधारस्थानमाभयम् ।
 कथम.कीर्तयतेऽस्माभिः पञ्चश्रुत्युत्तमादयः ॥
 स साधारणगंधारस्थानरथो विमो यदि ।
 लक्ष्म्यानुमानः श्रौतस्त्वतः पङ्क्त्युत्तमेव सः ॥

The same reasoning is to apply to the note dhavata. Thus four new names come in. Namely — (1) पञ्चश्रुति कथम (2) पङ्क्त्युति कथम, (3) पञ्चश्रुति धैवन & (4) पङ्क्त्युति धैवन.

It will, however, be seen that these new swara names do not really increase the number of the vikṛitas, because they are only other names for the old swaras. The fourteen swaras of Rama Amṛitya, therefore, are :—

स्वरमेल कलानिधि स्वर	हिंदुस्थानी स्वर	European
(१) शुद्ध पङ्ज	शुद्ध पङ्ज	C
(२) शुद्ध ऋषभ	कोमल ऋषभ	bD
(३) शुद्ध गांधार or पंचश्रुति ऋषभ	तीव्र ऋषभ	D
(४) साधारण गांधार or षट्श्रुति ऋषभ	कोमल गांधार	bE
(५) अंतर गांधार	तीव्र गांधार	E
(६) च्युत मध्यम गांधार	Not necessary	
(७) शुद्ध मध्यम	शुद्ध मध्यम	F
(८) च्युत पंचम मध्यम	तीव्र मध्यम	F#
(९) शुद्ध पंचम	शुद्ध पंचम	G
(१०) शुद्ध धैवत	कोमल धैवत	bA
(११) शुद्ध निषाद or पंचश्रुति धैवत	तीव्र धैवत	A
(१२) कैशिक निषाद or षट्श्रुति निषाद	कोमल निषाद	bB
(१३) काकली निषाद	तीव्र निषाद	B
(१४) च्युत पङ्ज निषाद	Not necessary	

I have already suggested that the music system which Kallinath, the commentator on the Sangeeta Ratnakara followed was very nearly the same which Rama Amatya and his successors followed later on. In proof of this statement, I would cite the commentary of Kallinath on the Shri Raga of Sharangdeva. There Kallinath says:—

इदानीमधुनाप्रसिद्धरागागादीनां लक्ष्ये प्रतीतानां लक्षणविरोधानां परिहारार्थमुद्यमः कियते । तत्र विरोधोद्भावनाप्रकारस्तावत् । ग्रामद्वयाज्जात्यादिपरंपरयोत्पन्नानामेतेषां रागाणां मध्यस्थानस्थपङ्ज मध्यमस्थानयोरेव तत्तन्मूर्च्छनारसंपक्षाश्रयेण शास्त्रविहिते संभवत्यपि, मध्यमग्रामोत्पन्नानां मध्यमादितांडो प्रभृतीनां च मध्यममध्यमारं विहाय मध्यपङ्जस्थाने एव आरंभो लक्ष्यलक्षणविक्रदः । तथा ग्रहस्वराय-
 चोत्तरस्वराणामभावात् । त्रिचतुःश्रुतिकत्वेन ग्रामद्वयसंवेदकस्य पंचमस्यालोप्यत्वेन प्रयुज्यमानस्यापि सर्वं रागेष्वेकरूपता । क्रियांगरामक्रियायां मध्यमस्य पंचमश्रुतिद्वयाक्रमणं, नट्टदेवकीप्रभृतिषु ऋषभ धैवतयोरन्तरकाकल्यादिमश्रुतिद्वयाक्रमणेन त्रिश्रुतित्वे शास्त्रविहितेऽपि पङ्जमध्यमयोरशास्त्रविहित त्रिश्रुतित्वकरणेन कैशिकयोरवैशसम् । तत्रापि ऋषभधैवतयोरगांधारनिषादादिमश्रुत्याक्रमणेन प्रत्येकं चतुःश्रुतित्वं वा शास्त्रविहितम् । आधाल्या लक्षणे पंचमस्य ग्रंथोऽश्वेत्येत्या तथैव प्रस्तारे लिखितेऽपि

लक्ष्ये मध्यमग्रहांतत्वेन प्रयोगः ॥ कर्णादगौडस्य लक्षणे षड्जग्रहांतत्वेन लक्ष्ये निषाद ग्रहांतत्वे ।
 ग्रामरागेषु द्विदोलस्य लक्षणेऽयत्तन्त्रेनोक्तविषयागेन प्रयोगः । वादवाद्देवेष्वपि रागेषु ऋषिर्होष्य
 स्वर प्रयोगः । ऋषिजन्यजनकयोर्मेलन भेद, रसादि विनियोगनियमः ।

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The rest of the commentary is unnecessary for our purpose. The portion cited here shows that only one grama was practically recognised in the time of Kallinath. All the murchhanas were started from the madhya shadja. The difference of the two panchamas in the two gramas was ignored. In the definition of Shri raga, although shuddha ga and shuddha ni moved one sruti higher, the next following notes ma and ni remained stationery and thereby violated the shastra rule which says that in such a case they must become chryta. In the case the ri and dha remain चतुःश्रुतिक but move one sruti up. All this indicates to a careful student the fact that Kallinath followed a system not unlike the one followed by Rama Amatya and Somnath. (Quære — Was the music of the Sangeeta Ratnakara actually practised in Kallinath's time? Did he fully understand it? He wrote his commentary nearly two hundred years later. We all know that Kallinath was in the service of Raja Deva, Raja of Vijayanagar, about 1412-1425 A D and wrote his commentary at the request of his patron.)

In the second chapter or prakarana, Rama Amatya describes his vina with his shuddha and vikrita swaras. The following chart will clearly show how the four wires of the vina were tuned and how the frets were placed under them. —

शु म	शु. सा	शुद्ध प	शुद्ध सा	मेर or Bridge
श्रुतपंचम म	शु. री	शु. ध	शु. री	प्रथम सारी
शु. प	शु. ग	शु. नि	शु. ग	द्वितीय सारी
शु. ध	साधारण ग	केशिक नि	साधारण ग	तृतीय सारी
शु. नि	श्रुतमध्यम ग	श्रुतषड्ज नि	श्रुतमध्यम ग	चतुर्थ सारी
केशिक नि	शुद्ध म	शु सा	शु म	पंचम सारी
श्रुतषड्ज नि	श्रुतपंचम म	शु. री	श्रुतपंचम म	षड्ठी सारी
मंद्र म तंत्री	मंद्र सा तंत्री	अ. मद्र प तंत्री	अनु मंद्र सा तंत्री	
(४)	(३)	(२)	(१)	

The tuning of the wires is described in the following

आषायां स्थापयेत् पञ्चमनुमंद्राभिधानकम् ।
 अनुमंद्रः पञ्चमस्तु द्वितीयायां निवेशयेत् ॥
 तृतीयायां तंत्रिकायां मंद्रपट्टं प्रयोजयेत् ।
 कल्पयेत् स्वरं तंत्र्यां चतुर्थ्यां मंद्रमध्यमम् ॥

The Swaras produced by the six frets are described thus :—

आषानुमंद्रपट्टाख्यतंत्र्यां शुद्धर्यमो यथा ।
 स्थापथा सारिका स्थाप्या प्रथमाथ द्वितीया ॥
 तंत्र्यां शुद्धगांधारसिन्धु स्थाप्या च सारिका ।
 तृतीया सारिका स्थाप्या पूर्वतंत्र्या यथा स्फुटम् ॥
 स्थाप्या साधारणगांधारः स्थाप्या सारी चतुर्थिका ।
 च्युतमध्यमगांधारः पूर्वतंत्र्या यथा भवेत् ॥
 मृदुमध्यमसिन्धु पञ्चमी सारिका ततः ।
 निवेश्या पूर्वतंत्र्यां पष्ठा स्थाप्याथ सारिका ॥
 यथा व्यक्तस्तथा तंत्र्या च्युतपञ्चममध्यमः ॥ इ. इ. इ.

The notes produced by the different wires on the six frets are clearly seen in the diagram, and so it is not necessary to cite the remaining verses here. Nor is any translation of the above cited verses necessary.

In the mela prakarana, Pandit Rama Amatya lays down altogether twenty thatas for the classification of his janya-ragas. The twenty thatas with their shuddha and vikrita swaras are as follows :—

तत्तद्रागप्रधानत्वाभेदान् वक्ष्ये क्रमादिमान् ।
 सर्वेषु रागमेलेषु मुखारिमेल आदिमः ॥
 ततो मालवगौळस्य मेलः श्रीरागमेलकः ।
 सारंगनाटमेलश्च मेलो हिंदोलकस्य च ॥
 शुद्धरामक्रियामेलो देशाक्षमेलकोऽपरः ।
 मेलः कण्ठगौळस्य शुद्धनाट्याश्च मेलकः ॥
 आहरीमेलकश्चैव नाट्यरामक्रियापरः ।
 मेलः शुद्धवराळ्याश्च रीतिगौळस्य मेलकः ॥
 वसंतमैरवीसंज्ञो मेलकस्तु प्रकीर्तितः ।
 केदारगौळमेलश्च हेञ्जुळमेलकस्ततः ॥
 मेलः सामवराळ्याश्च रेवगुप्तेश्च मेलकः ।
 सामंतनाममेलश्च कामोजीमेलकस्ततः ॥

मेलनाम		मेलगत स्वराः						हिंदुरथानी स्वराः
	सा	री	ग	म	प	ध	नि	
१ मुखारी	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	सा री म प ध नि सा
२ मालवगौळ	"	"	ऋत- मध्यम	"	"	"	ऋत- पङ्कजनि	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
३ भी	"	पंच- ध्रुति	साधा- रण	"	"	पंच ध्रुति	केशिक	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
४ मारगनाट	"	"	ऋ. म गा.	"	"	"	ऋत- पङ्कज	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
५ हिंदोल	"	"	साधा- रण	"	"	शुद्ध	केशिक	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
६ शुद्धरामक्रिया	"	शुद्धरी	ऋतम.	ऋत- मध्यम	"	"	ऋत- पङ्कजनि	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
७ देशाक्षी	"	षट् ध्रुति	"	"	"	पंच ध्रुति	"	सा ग ग म प ध नि सा
८ कनकगौळ	"	"	"	"	"	"	केशिक	सा ग ग म प ध नि सा
९ शुद्धनाट	"	"	"	"	"	षट् ध्रुति	ऋत- पङ्कज	सा ग ग म प ध नि सा
१० आहरी	"	पंच ध्रुति	साधा- रण	"	"	शुद्ध	"	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
११ नादरामकी	"	शुद्धरी	"	"	"	"	"	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
१२ शुद्धवराळी	"	"	शुद्ध	ऋतम.	"	"	ऋत- पङ्कज	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
१३ रीतिगौळ	"	"	"	शुद्ध	"	पंच ध्रुति	केशिक	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
१४ वसंतभैरवी	"	"	ऋत- म. ग	"	"	शुद्ध	"	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
१५ केदारगौळ	"	पंच ध्रुति	"	"	"	पंच ध्रुति	ऋत- पङ्कज	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
१६ द्विजळी	"	शुद्ध	अंतर	"	"	शुद्ध	काकली	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
१७ सामवराळी	"	"	शुद्ध	"	"	"	"	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
१८ रेवशुषी	"	"	अंतर	"	"	"	शुद्ध	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
१९ सामत	"	षट् ध्रुति	"	"	"	षट् ध्रुति	काकली	सा ग ग म प ध नि सा
२० कामांजी	"	पंच ध्रुति	"	"	"	पंच ध्रुति	"	सा री ग म प ध नि सा

मेलनाम	जन्य रागाः
१ मुखारी	१ मुखारी
२ मालवगौड	१ मालव गौड, २ ललिता, ३ बौली, ४ सौराष्ट्र, ५ सुर्जरी, ६ मेचबौली, ७ फलमंजरी, ८ गुंडकी, ९ सिंधुरामकी, १० छायागौळ, ११ कुरंजी, १२ कंनड बंगाल, १३ मंगल कैशिक, १४ मलहरी.
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४ सारंगनाट	१ सारंगनाट, २ सावेरी, ३ सालंग भैरवी, ४ नटनारायणी, ५ शुद्धवसंत, ६ पूर्वगौड, ७ कुंतलवराळी, ८ मित्रपद्म, ९ नारायणी.
५ हिंदोल	१ हिंदोल, २ मार्गहिंदोल, ३ भूपाल.
६ शुद्धरामकी	१ शुद्धरामकी, २ बौली, ३ आर्द्रदेशी, ४ दीपक.
७ देशाक्षी	१ देशाक्षी.
८ कंनडगौळ	१ कंनडगौळ, २ घंटारव, ३ शुद्धबंगाल, ४ छायानट, ५ तुरस्कतोडी, ६ नागध्वनि, ७ देवक्रिया.
९ शुद्धनाट	१ शुद्धनाट
१० अहीरी	१ अहीरी
११ नादरामकी	१ नादरामकी
१२ शुद्धवराळी	१ शुद्धवराळी
१३ गौळ	१ गौळ
१४ वसंत भैरवी	१ वसंत भैरवी
१५ केदारगौळ	१ केदारगौळ, २ नारायणगौळ
१६ हेचुञ्जी	१ हेचुञ्जी
१७ सामवराळी	१ सामवराळी
१८ रेवशुषी	१ रेवशुषी
१९ सामंत	१ सामंत
२० कामोजी	१ कामोजी

The author then mentions an interesting difference of opinion as to the number of रागजनक Thatas. He says:

लक्षिता विंशतिर्मेला गात्रे स्फुर्निमिता अमी ।
 पक्षद्वयं तु वीणायां वक्ष्यते लक्ष्यसमतम् ॥
 माहादंतरकाकस्थोः स्वरूपे पृथक् पृथक् ।
 पक्षोऽयं प्रथमस्तत्र मेलाः स्फुर्विंशतिर्भुवम् ॥
 अंतरस्य च काकस्थाःस्थाने प्रतिनिधिः कमात् ।
 श्रुतमध्यमगांधारश्च्युतवज्जनिषादकः ॥
 अयं द्वितीयः पक्षोऽयं मेला पचदशरमृताः ।
 अत्र प्रतिनिधिः पक्षे मुखारीमेल पूर्वकाः ॥
 केदारगौळमेलान्ता मेलाः पचदश स्मृताः ॥
 एतदेवामिष्याय कथितं शार्ङ्गसुरिणा ।
 अल्पप्रयोगः सर्वत्र काकली चांतरस्वरः ॥

Translation—Thus I have described the twenty Thatas of the Vocal musicians. Now I shall state the two opinions of the **Vainikas**. Those who belong to the first पक्ष (party) say that the notes अंतर & काकली should be recognized as independent Swaras & the number of Thatas should accordingly be accepted as twenty. Those who belong to the second पक्ष say that the notes श्रुत मध्यम गांधार & श्रुत वज्जनिषाद should be recognized as good representatives or substitutes for the notes अंतर & काकली, and the number of Thatas should be fifteen only. According to these last the list of Thatas given in the book should stop at केदारगौळ, which is the fifteenth Thata. They go further & argue that even Sharangadeva, the author of the *Sangeet Ratnakara*, meant the same thing when he said that the notes अंतर & काकली should always be used sparingly.

Observation—It must in fairness be stated that Sharangadeva pandit though he does give that advice, does not expressly say that श्रुत म & श्रुत सा should be used as substitutes for the अंतर & काकली notes. In his own Raga definitions he says nothing about the श्रुत Swaras but freely uses अंतर & काकली. Rama Amatya says nothing in explanation of that in his *Swaramelakalanidhi*.

RAGA-VIBODHA

The author of this Sanskrit work is Pandit Somnath of the Andhra country. The date of the work as given by the author is the shaka year 1531, corresponding with 1610 A.D. It is considered to be a work of great interest in the Southern presidency. There are several features of the work however, which will make its study no less interesting to the Northern Musician. A careful perusal of the book will lead the reader to conclude that the author at some period of his life had come into contact with the music and musicians of northern India. A mere glance at the table indicating the shuddha and vikrita swaras of Somnatha, will be enough to show it. The names and descriptions of the ragas again will further support the view. In the Raga Vibodha, the reader will find some distinctly Persian Raga names, such as Husseini, Navroj, Zeeluf, Erakh, and so forth, referred to.

The important points in connection with this work for consideration will be :—

- (1) How many out of the 22 srutis did Somnath use as swaras in his ragas.
- (2) How did he place his shuddha and vikrita swaras on the srutis.
- (3) How many thatas did he use for the classification of his ragas.
- (4) What was his classification of the janya ragas.
- (5) Will any of his raga definitions be useful for the Northern musician.

I may state at the very outset that Somnath like all his predecessors whether southern or northern recognised the wellknown twenty two srutis, which again were the same as those of the older writers. The orthodox rule for the location of swaras on the srutis, was also accepted by him. He says :—

षड्जर्षभगांधारा मध्यमपंचमकधैवत निषादाः ।
इत्यभिधास्त्वमीषां स रि ग म प ध नी ति संज्ञाऽन्याः ॥
तेषांश्रुतयः क्रमतो वेदा रामा दृशौ तथाबुधयः ।
निगमा दहनाः पक्षा एवं द्वाविंशतिः सर्वोः ॥

These verses speak for themselves, and we need not discuss them any further. The placing of the shuddha swaras is described thus :

तुम्यार्वा सप्तम्या तातु नवम्या ध्रुवी त्रयोदश्याम् ।
सप्तदशी विंशद्वाविंशतु च ते रुद्राः क्रमतः ॥

Evidently, 4, 7, 9, 13, 17, 20, 22, were also the "adhara-srutis" of the shuddha swaras of Somnath. The method adopted by Somnath for placing the twenty two srutis on the key board of the vina, differed from that of Sharangdeva pandit. The latter put twenty-two separate wires each representing a sruti, on his vina. Somnath put twenty two frets under the wires of his vina and made them produce the intended twenty two srutis. The principle of determining the sruti was the same in both cases. The whole length of the wire produced the fundamental note 'mandra-shadja', and the frets below the wire produced the remaining srutis when the wire was pressed against them.

मद्रतमध्वनिताया त्रयं क्रमोच्चरन्ने किंचित् ।
न्यस्याः सूत्रमाः सार्योऽथ द्वाविंशतिरध्वनस्तस्याः ॥
तन्त्री यथेयमुच्चोच्चतरावा किमपि तातु स्यात् ।
सप्तनेष्टोऽन्यसः ध्रुतयः इति रवा इहाप्यतम्या सः ॥
क्रममरुतीयस्यार्वा ६. ९. ९.

"मनारुच्चरानिः," "मन्ये विसदस ध्वन्यतर न स्यात्तथा."

These points of Bharata and Sharangdeva were strictly followed by Somnath also. We cannot say for certain whether or not he understood their real significance. Perhaps he did not. The verses may be translated thus :—The first wire should be tuned to the lowest possible pitch, and it will be the first sruti. The next three should be so tuned that each will be a little higher than the next preceding one. (Thus there would be four wires on the key board) Next place twenty two small frets under the fourth wire in such a way that each will produce a sound a little higher than that of the preceding one, care being taken to see that between any two consecutive sruti sounds, no dissimilar "dhwani", or sound is permitted to appear. (The author means to say that the ratio between any two consecutive sruti sounds should be the same all through) The fourth wire will produce the sound of shadja. Among the frets, the third will produce rishabha, the fifth will produce gandhara and so forth. Compare the statement of Sharangdeva :—

आया मद्रतमध्वना द्वितीयाच्चर्मानर्मनाम् ।
नैतथ्यं साधुनयान्नेष्वन्यतराधुतेः ॥

The reader can easily see from this that these ancient writers considered their srutis to be based upon a standard sruti ratio. In other words, they understood the srutis, to rise in pitch in geometrical progression.

Pandit Somnath then proceeds to locate his vikrita swaras thus :

इति सप्तोक्ताः शुद्धा विकृतान् सप्तैव वच्मि सहस्रान्ना ।

साधारणोत्तरश्च श्रुति श्रुती चेत्य गो मस्य ॥

Translation.—Having described the seven shuddha swaras in this way, I shall now mention the seven vikrita swaras in this way by their names. When shuddha gandhara takes the first sruti of 'ma' it becomes sadharana 'ga', and when it takes the second sruti of 'ma', it becomes antara 'ga'.

निःकैशिकी च काकल्यथ सस्यैका भजंश्च तां ते द्वे ।

निगमा मृदुपर समपाः समपतृतीयश्रुतिस्थित्या ॥

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Observation.—The term "mrdu", it will be seen, corresponds with the term "chyuta" of Sharangdeva and Rama Amatya. Pundarika Vittala used the word "laghu" instead.

Somnath then discusses the twelve vikritas of Sharangdeva and tries to prove that in spite of the use of twelve separate swara names for the vikrita, Sharangdeva really used only seven vikrita swaras, which were the same as those he himself used. There were some more vikrita names in use in his time, and the author referring to them says :

रिषयोः परश्रुतिगतेश्चतस्र इह पंच षट् तथाश्रुतयः ।

देशीरागेषु अभिविध्यन्ते च षट् तथा गमयोः ॥

Translation.—In the modern or deshi music we sometimes come across 'ri' and 'dha' swaras with four five or six srutis. And these are known as चतुःश्रुतिक, पंचश्रुतिक, षट्श्रुतिक ऋषम & धैवत.

These notes are the result of 'ri' and 'dha' rising through the srutis of the next following notes गांधार & निषाद.

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इति तेषु संभवन्ति त्रयोऽन्या एभ्यो विलक्षणा विकृताः ।

पंचश्रुतिःशुचेर्गांधारात् साधारणतश्च षट्श्रुतिकः ॥

रिर्न पृथक् तादृगो नेः कैशिकिनश्च षट्श्रुतिर्गो मात् ।

किं तु रिगधमानां व्यवहृतये पृथगिताः संज्ञाः ॥

Translation—No doubt three more vikṛita swaras will result from this arrangement, but it will be observed that pancha sruti 'n' and zhat-sruti-ri are in no way different to shuddha 'ga' and sadharana 'ga' already noticed. The same observation will be made in the case of पंचश्रुतिक ष & षडश्रुतिक ष which are no other than the sounds of shuddha 'ni' and kashuka 'ni'. Although this is so, it is convenient to retain these new swara names in practice. Somnath then compares these last named vikṛitas with those of the other music schools which use the vikṛita terminations 'tivra', tivratara', and tivratama'. He says

तीव्रश्रुतुःश्रुतिरे पञ्चश्रुतिकत्वे एव तीव्रतरः ।
षडश्रुतिकत्वे तीव्रतम इति पर ता यथायोग्यम् ॥

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Observation—The commentary on these lines is rather interesting; पर ता यथायोग्यम् । यस्य मस्य च षडश्रुतिरे तीव्रतम इति एकेव सङ्गा, i.e. there will be no चतुःश्रुति ग & पञ्चश्रुति ग or म चतुःश्रुति ग is the same as अतर ग & पञ्चश्रुति ग is मृदु म.

These are independent names. These notes take no other संग्गा or names in practice. Then again चतुःश्रुति म is the shuddha 'ma' itself and पञ्चश्रुति म is never heard of in practice. षडश्रुति म is no doubt allowed but it will be called tivratara ma and not tivratama 'ma, which name would have been more proper. The reader may compare this reasoning with that of Lochana and Ahobala with advantage. The author defends these new संग्गा by citing a text from Ratnakara:—न च पूर्वोक्त निगमानां समपतृतीयश्रुतिरप्यत्र विद्यमानां चतुःश्रुतिमत्त्वं च पुराणानुक्तत्वात् शास्त्रात् विद्वद्भिः । According to Sharangdeva himself,—यद्गोलकप्रधानानि शास्त्राण्येतानि । अर्थात् शास्त्राणामप्यथावमपि लक्ष्यस्यापनाय प्रोक्तम्. Somnath means to say that although the ancient authorities did not allow 'ni' 'ga' and 'ma' to rise upto the third srutis of their respective succeeding notes, the actual fact was that these vikṛitas were found in practice. That being so, their use must be justified by the उपलक्षणन्याय process. That is by saying that the old "mṛdu" places had only taken new names.

The author then further supports his argument by showing what other writers under similar situations did

षडश्रुतिकं म पञ्चश्रुतिकं च चतुःश्रुतिं विधातव्यम् ।
रागविशेषादप्यस्यास्य कठिनाद्युक्तिरिति ॥

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Translation—Tivra 'ri' is चतुःश्रुतिक रि, tivrata 'ri' is पंचश्रुति रि and tivrata-ma 'ri' is the same as षट्श्रुतिक रि. The same reasoning applies to the case of dhaivata; but the author adds परं ता यथायोग्यम् that is, these vikṛitas cannot be used indiscriminately.

Observation—The commentary on these lines is rather interesting; परं ता यथायोग्यम् । गत्य मस्य च षट्श्रुतिरेव तीव्रतम इति एकैव सङ्गाः । i.e. there will be no चतुःश्रुति ग & पंचश्रुति ग or म चतुःश्रुति ग is the same as अंतर ग & पंचश्रुति ग is मृदु म.

These are independent names. These notes take no other संज्ञा or names in practice. Then again चतुःश्रुति म is the shuddha 'ma' itself and पंचश्रुति म is never heard of in practice. षट्श्रुति म is no doubt allowed but it will be called tivrata-ma and not tivrata-ma 'ma', which name would have been more proper. The reader may compare this reasoning with that of Lochana and Ahobala with advantage. The author defends these new संज्ञा by citing a text from Ratnakara:—न च पूर्वोक्तं निगमानां समपतृतीयश्रुतिरप्यत्र निगमानां चतुःश्रुतिमत्त्वं च पुरातनाहुक्तान् शास्त्रांतरं विरुद्धम्. According to Sharangdeva himself;—यद्वाल्म्यप्रधानानि शास्त्राण्येतानि । अर्थात् शास्त्राणामन्यथाप्यमपि लक्ष्यरथापनाय शोक्तम्. Somnath means to say that although the ancient authorities did not allow 'ni' 'ga' and 'ma' to rise upto the third srutis of their respective succeeding notes, the actual fact was that these vikṛitas were found in practice. That being so, their use must be justified by the उपलक्षणन्याय process. That is by saying that the old "mrdu" places had only taken new names.

The author then further supports his argument by showing what other writers under similar situations did.

षट्श्रुतिकं म पंचश्रुतिकी च चतुः श्रुती विशदयद् ।
रागविशेषाध्यायन्यासगाने कलिनायमुक्तिवि ॥

Translation.—The vikritas पट्श्रुतिग, चतुःश्रुतिरि, पंचश्रुतिरि, चतुःश्रुताधि, पंचश्रुतिध have also been mentioned by Pandit Kallinath in his commentary on the Ratnakara.

Observation.—The whole point of the discussion is this:—Music is a progressive science and art. It progresses with the taste and needs of the community. In deshi music, we cannot always pretend to stick to the old orthodox theories and rules. New technical expressions and new rules are bound to come in course of time, and we must be prepared to make room for them. The author points out that even Hanuman was of the same opinion:—

ग्रामश्रुतिस्वरादेरनियम उक्तो हनुमता येन ।
 देसी रागे येषां धुनिस्वरैर्यादि पदेन ।
 ग्रामो पट्जगाम्यमौ ।
 धुनयः पट्जादिषु नियतास्तुरादयः ।
 स्वरा शुद्धविकृतद्वयाः ।
 आदि सन्नेन पाटवैर्दुवसंपूर्णस्वानि ग्रहांशादि जातयः ।

In all these matters, changes are bound to happen and we shall have to treat them with respect.

Having discussed the first two questions out of the five raised by us, we shall now proceed to give definite answers to them. Pandit Somnath uses fifteen vikrita swara-names, in all and these are:

१ तीव्र री	६ मृदु ग	११ तीव्रतर ध
२ तीव्रतर री	७ तीव्रतम ग	१२ तीव्रतम ध
३ तीव्रतम री	८ तीव्रतम म	१३ कैशिक नि
४ साधारण ग	९ मृदु प	१४ काकली नि
५ अंतर ग	१० तीव्र ध	१५ मृदु सा

Five of these will have to be rejected because they coincide with three vikrita and two shuddha swaras already counted. In other words they overlap these latter. Thus:—तीव्रतर रि, तीव्रतम रि, तीव्रतम ग, तीव्रतर ध, तीव्रतम ध are identical with शुद्ध ग, साधारण ग, शुद्ध ग, शुद्ध नि, कैशिक नि respectively. Real vikritas according to the Pandit are those notes which have independent sounds. The remaining ten being unobjectionable, it may be said that the system of Raga Vibodha is based on seventeen swaras, (seven shuddhas and ten vikritas) only. The following chart will clearly show how Somnath placed his swaras on the srutis.

	शुद्धस्वराः	विदितस्वराः	False Vikrits	Hindustani Swaras
१ तीव्रा	...	कैशिक नि	तम्रितम घ	बोमल नि ११
२ कुमुदती	...	काकली नि	...	तीन नि १२
३ मंदा	...	मृदु सा	...	... ( तम्रितम नि)
४ उदोवती	सा	...	...	सा (१)
५ दयावती	...	...	...	...
६ रत्ननी	...	...	...	...
७ रक्तिका	री	...	...	बोमल री (२)
८ रीद्री	...	तम्रि री or चतुःश्रुति	...	...
९ क्रोधी	ग	...	तम्रितर री	तम्रि री (३)
१० वज्रिनी	...	साधारण ग	तम्रितम री	बोमल ग (४)
११ प्रनारिणी	...	अंतर ग	...	तम्रि ग (५)
१२ श्रीति	...	मृदु म	...	... ( तम्रितम ग)
१३ साजनी	म	...	तम्रितम ग	म (६)
१४ क्षिति	...	...	...	...
१५ रत्ना	...	तम्रितम म	...	तम्रि म (७)
१६ मदीपिनी	...	मृदु प	...	... ( तम्रितम म)
१७ आलपिनी	प	...	...	प (८)
१८ मदती	...	...	...	...
१९ रोदिणी	...	...	...	...
२० रम्या	ध	...	...	बोमल ध (९)
२१ उमा	...	तम्रि ध=चतुःश्रुति	...	...
२२ शोभिणी	नि	...	तम्रितर ध	तम्रि ध (१०)
	७	१०		

मेल नाम	सा	री	ग	म	प	ध	नि	Hindustani Equivalents
१ मुखारी	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
२ रेव श्रुति	"	"	अंतर	"	"	"	"	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
३ सामवादी	"	"	शुद्ध	"	"	"	काकली	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
४ तोड़ी	"	"	साधारण	"	"	"	कैशिक	सा री ग म प ध नि सा
५ नादरामकी	"	"	"	"	"	"	मृदुगा	सा री ग म प ध नि सा

मेल नाम	सा	री	ग	म	प	ध	नि	Hindustani Equivalents
६ भैरव	”	”	अंतर	”	”	”	कैशिक	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
७ वसंत	”	”	”	”	”	”	काकली	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
८ वसंत भैरवी	”	”	मृदुम	”	”	”	कैशिक	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
९ मालवगौड	”	”	”	”	”	”	मृदुसा	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
१० रीतिगौड	”	”	शुद्ध साधा-	”	”	तीव्रतर	कैशिक	सा री री म प ध नि सां
११ आभीरनाट	”	तीव्रतर	रण	”	”	शुद्ध	मृदुसा	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
१२ हमीर	”	”	मृदुम	”	”	”	”	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
१३ शुद्धरामकी	”	शुद्ध	” साधा-	तीव्रतम	”	”	”	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
१४ शुद्धवराटी	”	”	रण	”	”	”	”	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
१५ श्री	”	तीव्र	”	”	”	तीव्र	कैशिक	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
१६ कल्याण	”	तीव्रतर	”	मृदुप	”	शुद्ध	मृदुसा	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
१७ कांबोदी	”	”	अंतर	शुद्ध	”	तीव्रतर	काकली	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
१८ मछारी	”	”	मृदुम	”	”	”	मृदुसा	सा री ग म प ध नि सां
१९ सामंत	”	तीव्रतम	अंतर	”	”	तीव्रतम	काकली	सा ग ग म प नि नि सां
२० कर्णाटगौड	”	”	मृदुम	”	”	तीव्र	कैशिक	सा ग ग म प ध नि सां
२१ देशाक्षी	”	”	”	”	”	तीव्रतर	मृदुसा	सा ग ग म प ध नि सां
२२ शुद्धनाट	”	”	”	”	”	तीव्रतम	”	सा ग ग म प नि नि सां
२३ सारंग	”	तीव्रतर	तीव्रतम	मृदुप	”	”	मृदुसा	सा री म म प नि नि सां

Explanatory Note

शुद्ध रि, ध = कोमल रि, कोमल ध

शुद्ध ग, नि = तीव्र रि, तीव्र ध

तीव्रतर री, } तीव्र री, तीव्र ध
तीव्रतर ध }

तीव्रतम रि, ध = कोमल ग, कोमल नि
 मृदु म, मृ. प, मृ. सा = accepted as तीव्र ग, तीव्र म, तीव्र नि
 केशिक नि = कोमल नि
 काकली नि = तीव्र नि
 साधारण ग = कोमल ग
 अंतर ग = तीव्र ग
 For details refer to the chart of swaras.

मेळ नाम	जन्य राग नाम
१ मुखारी	१ मुखारी.
२ रेवगुप्ति	१ रेवगुप्ति.
३ सामवराळी	१ सामवराळी, २ वसंतवराळी.
४ तोडी	१ तोडी.
५ नादरामकी	१ नादरामकी.
६ भैरव	१ भैरव, २ पौरवी.
७ वसंत	१ वसंत, २ टक, ३ हिजेज, ४ हिंदोल.
८ वसंत भैरवी	१ वसंत भैरवी, २ मारवा
९ मालवगौड	१ मालवगौड, २ चैतीगौडी, ३ पूर्वी, ४ पाफी, ५ देवगांधार, ६ गौडक्रिया, ७ कुरंजी, ८ बहुली, ९ रामकी, १० पावक, ११ आमावरी, १२ पचम, १३ बंगाल, १४ शुद्धललित, १५ गुजरी, १६ परम, १७ शुद्धगौड.
१० रीतिगौड	१ रीतिगौड.
११ आभीर	१ आभीर.
१२ हंमीर	१ हंमीर, २ विहगड, ३ केदार.
१३ शुद्धवराटी	१ शुद्धवराटी.
१४ शुद्धरामकी	१ देशवार, २ ललित, ३ जेतभी, ४ विवेणी, ५ देशी.
१५ भीराग	१ भी, २ मालवमी, ३ घणामी, ४ भैरवी, ५ धवल, ६ संधवी.
१६ कल्याण	१ कल्याण.
१७ कांबोदी	१ कांबोदी, २ देवकी.
१८ मझारी	१ मझारी, २ नटमझार, ३ पूर्वगौड, ४ भूपाली, ५ गौड, ६ शंकरामरण, ७ नटनारायण, ८ नाशायणी, ९ केदार, १० सालकनाट, ११ बेलबली, १२ मण्यमादि, १३ सानेरी, १४ सांताष्टी.
१९ सामंत	१ सामंत.
२० कर्णाट	१ कर्णाट, २ अष्टाणा, ३ नागध्वनि, ४ शुद्धबंगाल, ५ वर्णनाट, ६ तुदच्छटोडी or ईराख.
२१ देशाक्षी	१ देशाक्षी.
२२ शुद्धनाट	१ शुद्धनाट.
२३ सारंग	१ सारंग.

It is not necessary to discuss the definitions of these derivative Ragas here. Many of these Ragas will be found to have retained the major portions of their old forms to this day and thus the Raga Vibodha will be of great importance, from the historical point of view, to the Northern musician. Many of Somnath's Ragas are known to the Northern musician. The fifth question therefore may be safely answered in the affirmative.

CHATUR DANDI PRAKASIKA

We shall now take up for discussion the Chaturdandi Prakasika written by Pandit Vyankata Makhi. The work was written about the shaka year 1560, that is to say about thirty years after Somnath's Raga Vibodha. Vyankata Makhi is admittedly a Southern writer. Chatur dandi prakasika is still respected as a great authority in the southern presidency. Pandit Subrama Dixit of Etayyapuram, who died only five or six years ago was the last exponent of the Chaturdandi system. Vyankata Makhi claims to have finally decided the twelve note-system in the South. It is also his claim that he was the first to lay down the seventy-two mela-kartas or melody-types for Raga classification. You are aware that in the Swara Mela Kalamidhi and in the Raga Vibodha, the vikrita swaras recognised were more than five. It is true that Rama Amatya knew of the school which was ready to accept "mrdu" or "chryuta" ma and "mrdu" or "chryuta" sa as representing the antara ga and kakali ni, but the "mrdu" notes were not definitely discarded.

Vyankata Makhi definitely does it as follows :—

चतुश्चतुश्चतुश्चैव षड्जमध्यमपंचमाः ।
द्वे द्वे निपादगांधारौ त्रिह्री रिपमधैवतौ ॥

This is the usual rule which we have discussed more than once.

विकृतास्तु स्वराः पंचेत्यस्माभिरवधार्यते ।
रत्नाकरे तु निःशंको विकृतान् द्वादशस्वरान् ॥

अमवीर् केचन पुनः सप्ताहूर्विहृतस्वरान् ।
 सर्वमेतन्ममालोक्य लक्ष्यमागंतुगारतः ॥
 स्वराः पंचैव विहृता इति मिह्यति मया ।
 तत्र पच स्वरान् सम्यग् विविष्य व्याहरामहे ॥
 साधारणध गांधारो गांधारश्चांतरामिधः ।
 द्वौ तौ च मध्यमश्चैवर्मभूतौ विहृतौ स्वरा ॥
 वराहो मध्यमर्धकः पचमश्चैवर्मभूतः ।
 पद्मशेखरसमुद्भूतौ कैशिकोकाकलीस्वरा ॥
 एवमेते स्वराः पच विहृता इति निर्णयः ।
 आहत्य शुद्धविहृताः स्वरा द्वादश वर्तिताः ॥

The five vikṛita swaras acknowledged by Vyankat Makhi therefore, are

(१) साधारण गांधार (२) अंतर गांधार (३) वराहो म (४) कैशिक नि (५) काकली नि

Of these five notes, वराहो म is a new name and requires explanation. The Pandit says —

चतस्रः ध्रुवयः प्रोक्ताः पंचमे गीतवेदिभिः ।
 आद्यायाया द्वितीया च तृतीयापि तदुक्तिम् ।
 वराहो मध्यमः प्रोक्तः ध्रुविदयसमन्वितः ॥

This shows that the वराहो म of Vyankata Makhi was the मुद्र प of Somnatha. It stood on the third sruti of the panchama. The tivratama 'ma' of the Raga Vibodha was one sruti lower. There were some other swara names in general use at Vyankat Makhi's time, and these may also be noted.

तथाहि शुद्धकचमशुद्धधैवतयोः पुनः ।
 निधिश्रुत्येकमात्रेण सर्वदाऽप्येकरूपता ॥

Translation — Shuddha 'ri' and shuddha 'dha' are never allowed to change the character of three sruti notes, and hence never assume other names. They always remain shuddha 'ri' and shuddha 'dha'.

यदा तु शुद्धगांधारो गांधारत्वं प्रपद्यते ।
 तदा द्विश्रुतिको ज्ञेयो गुमारागणके यथा ॥

Translation — When the shuddha gandhara retains its name "gandhara" unchanged it is always a "dwi-shruti" or shuddha gandhara, as in the case of the Mukhari ragam

यदा स एव जायेत ऋषभस्तु तदा पुनः ।

पंचश्रुतिरिति ज्ञेयः श्रीरागोऽत्र निदर्शनम् ॥

Translation.—When the gandhara is described in terms of the 'ri' as in Sri Raga, its two srutis are added to those of the preceding rishabha, with the result that the gandhara is then called पंचश्रुतिक्रपम (3 plus 2 srutis rishabha).

एवं शुद्धनिषादस्य निषादत्वं यदा भवेत् ।

तदाहिद्विश्रुतित्वं स्यात् मुखार्यत्र निदर्शनम् ॥

स एव यदि जायेत धैवतस्तु तदा पुनः ।

पंचश्रुतिरिति ज्ञेयः शंकराभरणे यथा ॥

The same reasoning applies to the shuddha nishada, when it remains shuddha nishada, it is of two srutis, and when it becomes a dhaivata, it is पंचश्रुति धैवत as in the Shankarabharana raga.

Observation.—This change of names is made to avoid the necessity of having two notes of the same denomination in the same mela or raga.

तथैव शुद्धगाधारनिषादौ द्वौ द्विरूपिणौ ।

साधारणाख्यगाधारः शुद्धर्षमयुतो यदि ॥

तदा त्रिश्रुतिकोऽज्ञेयो भूपालोऽत्र निदर्शनम् ।

तस्यैव पंचश्रुतिना ऋषभेणान्वयो यदि ॥

तदैक श्रुतिता ज्ञेया श्रीरागोऽत्र निदर्शनम् ।

यदा ऋषमसंज्ञोऽयं तदा षट्श्रुतिको भवेत् ॥

Translation.—Then again the two notes shuddha 'ga' and shuddha 'ni' have some other characters assigned to them according to their distance or position in relation to the preceding notes. Thus take the case of the sadharana gandhara. This is the normal three sruti gandhara above shuddha rishabha. It is used in the Bhupala raga. If this sadharana gandhara is taken in connection with or used after a पंचश्रुति रि (the preceding note) then it is only an एकश्रुति ग as in the Shri Raga. But if this sadharana 'ga' is described in terms of rishabha, then the three srutis of 'ri' will be added to the three srutis of 'ga', and the resulting note will be called the षट्श्रुतिक्रपम.

Observation.—This process is very clear and needs no further explanation. It is also applicable to shuddha ni and kaishika ni. These

last mentioned notes will optionally become पंचश्रुति ध and षट्श्रुति ध respectively.

Before proceeding to the "mela" chapter of the Chaturdandi Prakasika, I would like to draw your attention to the Pandit's description of the vadi samvadi svaras. He says:—

चतुर्विध स्वरेष्वेव वादी राजा प्रकीर्त्यते ।
 संवादीलनुगारित्वादस्यामात्यो विधीयते ॥
 विवादी विपरीतत्वाद् धीरुक्तो रिपुपमः ।
 स्वरूपमर्दनं तेन प्रयोगेस्याद्विवादिना ॥
 स्वरूपमर्दनामिव गीते रक्तिर्नलभ्यते ।
 शत्रूपमर्दने शिरयाद्राज्ञा लोके प्रकाशनम् ॥
 मृपामात्यानुगारित्वादिनुवादी तु मूलवत् ॥

Observation.—The pandit obviously advises the use of the proper vivadis in their proper places. He says that thus use will enhance the attractiveness of the raga. In their absence गीतरक्तिर्नलभ्यते. This is something like the Western "dissonances" theory.

I do not think I ought to take you through the laborious process of the construction of the seventy two thatas of Vyankata Makhi. The process is well known in the Southern presidency. I have fully explained it in my own works, the Lakshya Sangeeta and the Hindusthani Sangeeta Paddhati. It may be noted that Vyankata Makhi does not use all the seventy two melas in classifying his janya ragas. He uses only nineteen of them. These are:—

आदिमः सर्वमेलानां मुखारीमेल उच्यते ।
 मेलः सामवाद्याख्यरागस्यातः परं मतः ॥
 ततो मृपालमेलोऽथ हेङ्गुजीमेल ईरितः ।
 बसंतभैरवीमेलो गौळमेलस्ततः परम् ॥
 भैरवीमेल आदीर्षा मेलः भीरागमेलकः ।
 कामोजी मेलकोऽथ स्यात् शङ्करामरणस्य च ॥
 सामतमेलो देशाक्षीमेलो नाट्यमेलकः ।
 मेलः शुद्धवाद्याख्यरागस्यातः परं मतः ॥
 मेलः पंतुवाद्याख्य शुद्धरामकियापुतः ।
 मेलः सिंहवाद्याख्यतुष्टरागमेलकः ॥
 कस्याजीरागमेलमेवाहर्षकोनविंशतिः ॥

१ मुखारी	सा	री शुद्ध	ग शुद्ध	म शुद्ध	प शुद्ध	ध शुद्ध	नि शुद्ध
२ सामवराळी	सा	,,	साधारण	,,	,,	,,	काकली
३ भूपाल	सा	,,	,,	,,	,,	,,	कैशिक
४ हेखुजी	सा	,,	अंतर	,,	,,	,,	शुद्ध
५ वसंतभैरवी	सा	,,	,,	,,	,,	,,	कैशिक
६ गौळ	सा	,,	,,	,,	,,	,,	काकली
७ भैरवी	सा	पंचश्रुति	साधारण	,,	,,	,,	कैशिक
८ आहीरी	सा	,,	,,	,,	,,	,,	कैशिक
९ श्री	सा	,,	,,	,,	,,	पंचश्रुति	कैशिक
१० काभोजी	सा	,,	अंतर	,,	,,	,,	कैशिक
११ शंकराभरण	सा	,,	,,	,,	,,	,,	काकली
१२ सामंत	सा	,,	,,	,,	,,	पटश्रुति	,,
१३ हेशाशी	सा	पटश्रुति	,,	,,	,,	पंचश्रुति	,,
१४ नाट	सा	,,	,,	,,	,,	पटश्रुति	,,
१५ शुद्धवराळी	सा	शुद्ध	शुद्ध ग	वराळी	,,	शुद्ध	,,
१६ पंतुवराळी	सा	,,	साधारण	,,	,,	,,	,,
१७ शुद्धरामकी	सा	,,	अंतर	,,	,,	,,	,,
१८ सिंहख	सा	पंचश्रुति	साधारण	,,	,,	पंचश्रुति	कैशिक
१९ कल्याणी	सा	,,	अंतर	,,	,,	,,	काकली

These are really interesting thatas. Nearly all the ten thatas of the Hindusthani Paddhati are to be found among them. सिंहख मेल is a new introduction by Vyankata Makhi Pandit. He says :—

मेलः सिंहखे रागे वेंकटाध्वरिकल्पिते

This is a "new" Raga introduced by the Pandit In the Hindusthani Sangeeta, tivra 'ma' does not come in suitably in a raga which takes the 'ga' and 'ni' komala. The Pandit had to invent one for the mela

Here there is an interesting problem before the scholars. If Vyankata Makhi has invented the Sinharava Raga, and put it under the 58th mela, how is it that the raga appears in the Sangeet Panjat of Ahobala Pandit? Ahobala puts it under his Bharavi thata, that is our modern Asavari Thata. Was Parijat written after the Chaturdandi? It is quite true this raga does not appear in any of the other works of the southern system. There was a very old raga called "Ghantarava" in existence. Even the Ratnakara mentions the "Ghantarava". It is quite possible that Ahobala took it from the Chaturdandi, and changed its thata in deference to the northern rule of avoiding tivra 'ma' in combination with the komala 'ga' and komala 'ni'. Again, Chaturdandi has ननुनातितस्वभ्रूयोमैदो नदिक्कूपशोः। अतितमेदस्वयोर्यद्वस्वर्गद्वकिरितयोः। and Parijata has पुनश्च पुनस्वराभिधाः आरगत्वेन हेतुना। अदिक्कुलपचनमैदोतिः शास्त्रमता. The idea is the same. Has Ahobala taken his idea from the Chaturdandi Prakasika? Ahobala made it a northern "Sinharava", we shall say by the कामचारपथनित्याय. It is also possible that Ahobala saw Somnath's Raga Vibodha. That would explain his calling tivratara 'ma', tivratama 'ma', also. But we need not go into a prolonged discussion of those points because that will be an unjustifiable digression.

Vyankata Makhi classified his ragas under his nineteen thatas as follows:—

जनक मेलनाम	जन्य रागाः
१ सुखारी	१ सुखारी
२ सामवराळी	२ सामवराळी
३ भूपाल	१ भूपाल, २ मिमपद्म
४ वसंत मेरवी	१ वसंत मेरवी
५ गौळ	१ गौळ, २ गुंडकिया, ३ सातगनाड, ४ मादामकिवा, ५ लजिजा, ६ पारवी, ७ गुजरी, ८ बहुरी, ९ मठहरी, १० सावेरी, ११ जाराळी, १२ पूर्वगौळ, १३ कर्नाटवंगान, १४ तीरापद.
६ आहरी	१ आहरी
७ मेरवी	१ मेरवी

जनक भेलनाम	जन्य रागः
८ श्रीराग	१ श्री, २ सालंगमैरवी, ३ धन्यासी, ४ मालवश्री, ५ देवगांधार, ६ आंधाली, ७ बेलावली, ८ कंनकगौळ.
९ हेजुली	१ हेजुली, २ रेवगुप्ति
१० कामोजी	१ कामोजी, २ केदारगौळ, ३ नारायणगौळ.
११ शंकराभरण	१ शंकराभरण, २ आरसी, ३ नागध्वनि, ४ साम, ५ शुद्धवसंत, ६ नारायण-देशाक्षी, ७ नारायणी.
१२ सामंत	१ सामंत
१३ देशाक्षी	१ देशाक्षी
१४ नाट	१ नाट
१५ शुद्धवराळी	१ शुद्धवराळी
१६ पंतुवराळी	१ पंतुवराळी
१७ शुद्धरामकिया	१ शुद्धरामकिया
१८ सिंहरव	१ सिंहरव
१९ कल्याणी	१ कल्याण

We shall not go into the special characteristics of these janya ragas because that is beyond the province of this paper.

SANGEETA SARAMRITA

This work was written by the Maharaja Tulajirao Bhonsle of Tanjore. You all know that Tanjore was formerly ruled by a Mahratta belonging to the family of the Maharaja Shivaji. The date, therefore, of the Sangeeta Saramrita will not be difficult to determine. It is said to be 1783 A.D. or thereabouts. Sangeeta Saramrita deals with the southern system of music, and its shuddha scale, is therefore,

कैशिक्याख्यनिषादश्च काकल्याख्यनिषादकः ।
पंचैते विकृताः शुद्धैः स्वरैर्द्वादश कीर्तिताः ॥

Then come the optional names for some of the vikṛita notes.

विहाय स्वस्वसंज्ञा ये स्वरा अन्योन्यसंज्ञिकाः ।
तेषां नामांतराण्यत्र विहितानीह तद्यथा ॥
शुद्ध गांधार एवायं पंचश्रुत्युपमाह्वयः ।
साधारणाख्यगांधारः षट्श्रुत्युपमसंज्ञकः ॥
तथा शुद्धनिषादोऽपि स्यात्पंचश्रुतिधैवतः ।
स्यात् कैशिकनिषादोऽपि तथा षट्श्रुतिधैवतः ॥
लक्ष्यानुसारतस्त्वेतत् लौकिकं सुखबोधकम् ॥

On the possible number of melas, and on the selection of only the useful ones from among them, Tulajirao Maharaj says :—

मेला बहुविधास्तत्र द्विसप्ततिरिति स्फुटम् ।
निरूपयति तद्भेदान् चतुर्दशप्रकाशिका ॥
एकोनविंशतिस्तत्र तेनैव समुदाहृताः ।
इत्येवं विविधा मेलाः प्रस्तारपरिभाषया ॥
उच्चीतास्तेन तत्रैति स्यत्तत्रा तानप्रसिद्धाप् ॥

The author of the Saramrita enumerates the following thatas as useful for the classification of his ragas.

तत्र श्रीरागमेलोऽथ शुद्धनाट्याश्च मेलकः ।
ततो मालवगौळस्य विलावलयाश्च मेलकः ॥
बराळामेलरामकीरागमेलौ ततः परम् ।
शंकरा भरणाख्यस्य मेलः स्यात्तदनन्तरम् ॥
कावोजीरागमेलः स्याद्द्वैरव्या मेलकस्ततः ।
मुखारीमेलको वेगवाहिन्याश्चैव मेलकः ॥
सिंधुरामक्रियामेलो हेजिज्जीमेलकस्ततः ।
मेलः सामवराळ्याख्यरागस्यातः परं मतः ॥
वसंतमैरवीमेलो भिन्नषड्जस्य मेलकः ।
देशाक्षीरागमेलोऽथ छायानाटस्य मेलकः ॥
सारंगरागमेलश्च तोडीमेलस्ततः परम् ।
कल्याणीरागमेलश्चेत्येकविंशतिरिति ॥

मेलनामानि ।

१ भी	११ बेगवादिनी
२ शुद्धनाट	१२ सिंधुरामकी
३ मालवगौळ	१३ हेजिखि
४ बैलावली	१४ सामवराळी
५ बराळी	१५ वसंतमैरवी
६ रामकी	१६ मिषपद्म
७ शकरामरण	१७ देशाई
८ कांबोजी	१८ ज्ञानाट
९ मैरवी	१९ सारंग
१० गुसारी	२० तोडी
	२१ कल्याणी

Each mela is then duly defined thus —

मेलोद्भवेण रागेषु श्रीरागोऽथ चिरंतनैः ।
 प्रामराग इति प्रोक्तो रागागमितिर्कथन ॥
 श्रीरागः परिपूर्णः समस्तान्यामसमुत्तः ।
 गेयः सायान्द्रुममये ज्ञेय तानत्रिबर्जितः ॥
 शुद्धाः सप्तः समपाः पंचधुर्ताक्रमधैवती ।
 साभाराणस्यगाभारः केसिकयास्यनिवादकः ॥

This is practically the Kaphi Thata of the Hindusthani musician. In the southern presidency Shri Raga is still sung with these notes. Our Kaphi Thata, as you have seen, corresponds with their, सरहरत्रिषा Thata. I shall not trouble you with the Sanskrit descriptions of the remaining Thatas. Tulajirao Bhonsle was a faithful follower of Vyankata Makhi and the Shruti Swara chart given for the Chaturdandi prakasika will be a good guide to the Shrutis and Swaras of the Sangeet Samamrit. The जन्मराग of Shri Thata will be of some interest to the Hindusthani musicians also

The twenty-one thatas of Tulajirao may be written with their Swaras thus:—

१ श्री..... सा री ग म प ध नि सा	११ वेगवाहिनी... सा री ग म प ध नि सा
२ शुद्धनाट..... सा ग ग म प नि नि सा	१२ सिंधुरामकी... सा री ग म प ध नि सा
३ मालवगौड..... सा री ग म प ध नि सा	१३ हेजिछी..... सा री ग म प ध ध सा
४ वेलावली..... सा री ग म प ध नि सा	१४ सामवराळी... सा री री म प ध नि सा
५ वराळी..... सा री री म प ध नि सा	१५ वसंतमैरवी... सा री ग म प ध नि सा
६ शुद्धरामकी... सा री ग म प ध नि सा	१६ भिन्नपड्ज... सा री ग म प ध नि सा
७ शेकरामरण... सा री ग म प ध नि सा	१७ देवाक्षी..... सा ग ग म प ध नि सा
८ कामोजी..... सा री ग म प ध नि सा	१८ सारंग..... सा री म म प नि नि सा
९ मैरवी..... सा री ग म प ध नि सा	१९ लायानट..... सा ग ग म प ध नि सा
१० मुसारी..... सा री री म प ध ध सा	२० तोडी..... सा री ग म प ध नि सा
	२१ कल्याणी..... सा री ग म प ध नि सा

Janak melas, and the janya ragas.

१ श्रीमेल	१ कंनटगौळ, २ देवगांधार, ३ सालंगमैरवी, ४ शुद्धदेसी, ५ माधवमनोहरी, ६ मध्यमग्राम, ७ सैधवी, ८ हुसेनी, ९ धीरंजनी, १० मालवश्री, ११ देवमनोहरी, १२ जयंतसेन, १३ मणिरंग, १४ मध्यमादि, १५ शुद्धधन्यासी
२ शुद्धनाट	१ शुद्धनाट, २ उदयरविचंद्रिका (described as टक सापा)
३ मालवगौड	१ मालवगौड, २ सालंगनाट, ३ आर्द्रदेश, ४ लायागौळ, ५ टक, ६ गुर्जरी, ७ गुंढकी, ८ फलमंजरी, ९ नादरामकी, १० सौराष्ट्री, ११ मंगलकैशिक, १२ मेचवौळी, १३ मागधी, १४ गौरीमनोहरी, १५ मारुव, १६ गौळीपंतु, १७ सावेरी, १८ पूर्वी, १९ विमास, २० गौळ, २१ ललित, २२ पाढी, २३ कंनडबंगाल, २४ मलहरी, २५ पूर्णपंचम, २६ बहुली, २७ शुद्धसावेरी, २८ मेघरंजनी, २९ रेवशुति, ३० मालवी.
४ वेलावली	१ वेलावली.
५ वराळी	१ वराळी (सापाराग of भिन्नपंचम)

६ शुद्धरामकी	१ शुद्धरामकी (a किरागराम), २ दीपक
७ शंकरामरण	१ शंकरामरण, २ आरमो, ३ शुद्धबसंत, ४ सरस्वतीमनोहरी, ५ पूर्वगौळ, ६ नारायणी, ७ नारायणदेवगौळी, ८ सामंत, ९ कुर्गजी, १० पूर्णचंद्रिका, ११ सुगंधिपु, १२ ब्रह्मांड (१), १३ गौडमझार, १४ केदार, १५ विलहरी
८ कांबोजी	१ कांबोजी, २ नारायणगौळ, ३ केदारगौळ, ४ बडईस, ५ नागश्वनि, ६ ज्ञानांतरांगिणी, ७ ईशमनोहरी, ८ यदुकुलकांबोजी, ९ नाटकुर्गजी, १० कंनड, ११ नटनारायण, १२ आंधाली, १३ साम, १४ मोहन, १५ देवकी, १६ मोहनकल्याण
९ मेरवी	१ मेरवी, २ अहीरी, ३ घंटाव, ४ इंदुघटाव, ५ रीतिगौळ, ६ आनंद-मेरवी, ७ हिंदोलबसंत, ८ अमेरी, ९ घन्यामी, १० नागगोधारी, ११ हिंदोल.
१० घुसारी	१ घुसारी (This is the same as the Raga हृदसाधारित of sharangdeva, says Tulajirao. He does not give reasons though)

Tulajirao explains the statement thus —

सर्वपुराणमेलपु घुसारीमेल आदिकः ।

शुद्धैःसप्तस्वरैर्युक्तो घुसारीमेल इतिः ॥

षट्पञ्चतुभुजैश्च पञ्चमसप्तमपंचमाः ।

द्वेदेनिषादगोधारौ विस्तीरिष्यमपैवर्तः ॥

शुद्धा इत्युक्तसंख्याकधुनिकाः सादर्भाः ॥

अदिमन्मेले घुसारीषधामागच्छेत् ॥

लोकप्रसिद्धनामार्थं साधयितुं शक्यते ॥

शुद्धसाधारित इति शुद्धैः सप्तस्वरैः ॥

रागेकप्रमतावाच्यं इति श्रुतिः ॥

विनिर्दिष्टमिति ॥

This is certainly no sufficient reason for the statement. What were the seven shuddha swaras of Tulajirao? Important question Tulajirao never answers. It is granted that his own Shuddha Hridaya was not a Sharangdeva, also

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 शुद्धप्रवृत्तिवृत्तिवृत्तिमेलविधिः स्मृतः ।
 मसमुत्ते धुतिर्वाक्यमिदिरागवर्षः स्मृताः ॥

अथ शुद्धमध्यममेलकर्तृरागाणां नामानुस्यन्ते ।

कनकांगी च रत्नांगी गानमूर्तिर्वनस्पतिः ॥
 नाभ्रासानवनी तानरूपी सेनावती तथा ।
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 नाट्यप्रियमित्युक्तं कोकिलप्रियनामकम् ॥
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 नटमर्गवनामासी वीरवाणी ततः परम् ।
 चण्डादिना चैव तथा योगिनोद्गी ॥
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गौगियभूषिणी नाम वागधीश्वरिनामकं ।
शूलिनीनामविख्याता चलनाटा प्रकीर्तिता ॥

प्रतिमध्यममेलकर्तुरागाणां नामानि ।

सालगी राग इत्युक्तो जलार्णवमतःपरम् ।
नाम्ना झालवराळीच नवनीतमिति स्फुटम् ॥
गवाबोधांति विख्याता भवप्रियमितीरितम् ।
पावनी लोकविख्याता रघुप्रियमितीरितम् ॥
शुमापंतुवराळीच षड्विधामार्गिणी तथा ।
सुवर्णांगीतिविख्याता प्रोक्ता दीव्यमणीतिच ॥
धवलंबरिविख्याता नामनारायणी तथा ।
कामवर्धिनिनामाच रामप्रियमितीरितम् ॥
गमनश्रम इत्युक्तः स्मृता विश्वभरेतिच ।
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सिंहेंद्रमध्यमाचैव हेमवती सुनामकं ।
धर्मवतीतिविख्याता स्मृता नीतिमतीतिच ॥
कर्तामणिस्तथाप्रोक्ता ऋषभप्रियनामकम् ।
लतांगीति प्रसिद्धा च वाचस्पतिरितीरिताः ॥
विख्याता मेचकल्याणी चित्रावरिस्ततःपरम् ।
सुचरित्रमितिप्रोक्तं तथा ज्योतिःस्वरूपिणी ॥
धातुवर्धिनिविख्याता नासिकाभूषणी तथा ।
कोसलो राग इत्युक्तो रसिकप्रियनामकम् ॥

These are the present 72 Thatas of the Southern Music System this day. The names of the 12 notes which form the foundation of the system are as under :—

सा	री	ग शुद्ध	साधारण ग	अंतर	शुद्ध	प्रति	शुद्ध	शुद्ध	शुद्ध नि	कैशिक नि	काकली
शुद्ध	शुद्ध	चतुःश्रुतिरी	षडश्रुतिरी	ग	म	म	प	ध	चतुःश्रुतिध	षडश्रुति ध	नि

I do not propose to give the Swaras of the 72 Thatas here on this occasion. There are more than five hundred Janyaragas given under these 72 Thatas with their Arohas and Avarohas complete, but I do not think it necessary to go into the details.

I propose now to complete this long discourse, I have in the foregoing portion touched in a succinct way the sruti, swara, raga,

and that a portions of about 16 treatises. My object in this has been, as I said, to show that by a study of the ancient works, we will be in a position to effect certain very beneficial results so far as our present music is concerned. I have, therefore, explained which our old books are, which of them are available, and where, and what the system shown in them is, I now propose to show how the study of these is of practical use to us.

As the subject matter of our present music is of the same nature as that of the ancient music, the division and classification of that subject matter as adopted in those texts will come in handy for systematising our present music. These can be used as a basis for improvement according to our present conditions.

I think that in our present text books, we can safely leave out of consideration that portion of our ancient text books which deals with the physiological theories of the production of sound. But we will take the division of the gamut into 22 srutis adopted by these works for our gamut, and fix on it our shuddha scale, same as has been done in those works. It is well-known that our shuddha scale is the Bilawal scale, while that of some of the works is the Kafi scale, and that of others is the Mukhan scale. If the sruti intervals of the ancient works are such as do not satisfy the modern principles of acoustics, these can be determined by modern science, and standardised by consensus of opinion. If this is done, then the basis of the structure of our music will be standardised and uniform. The process of describing swaras in terms of srutis, vikṛita swaras with reference to the shuddha swaras, thātas or genus modes in terms of the swaras and ragas in terms of the thātas etc. which has been used in the ancient works can be adopted for our present system. But the indefinite method of describing the shuddha swaras used in the texts will have to be improved on by describing the swaras in terms of the length of the speaking wire, or vibrational values, when there is a consensus of opinion as to these. When the swaras have been standardised, (are determined,) we can also fix on the number of parent modes under which the existing ragas can be classified and grouped. This is to be done by deciding mathematically the number of possible permutations and combinations as has been done by Vyankata Makhī, in his *Chaturdandi Prakasika*, and then taking from them such as will best fit the present derivative modes. When the number of the parent modes has been determined by consensus of opinion, we have to proceed to the classification of the existing ragas under the parent modes, and in this we will be following our ancient treatises. Only, we shall fix the classification having regard to the similarity of swaras, vadi note, peculiarity of development and other features between the parent mode and the derivative raga and

not arbitrarily, or blindly following the ancient works. Still, the rule followed in the ancient texts that a derivative Raga must have the same scale as the parent mode, the only difference being in the swaras deleted or added still remains. In the ancient texts, we see an absence of information which is necessary to enable one to make an accurate differential diagnosis of derivative ragas coming under the same parent mode. There the differentiation is made in aroha, vadi, time, graha, amsha and nyasa. This differentiation can be amplified by mentioning also the "pakads", or catches, similarity or dissimilarity of any particular raga, as compared with another derivative of the same thata, whether it is a "purvanga" or "uttaranga" raga, (that is whether its development is in the upper or the lower tetrachord), what vivadi note can be used in it and when, how, how it compares with a similar raga mentioned in the ancient texts, or in vogue in the Karnatik system, and so forth. We can also in our text books have illustrations of the "alapa" development of a raga, set to tala and notation according to modern methods of notation. As it is impossible to reduce to notation all the graces, meen slurs, gamaks, and other alamkaras, the notation may be supplemented by vocal records of practical experts, which records should be indexed and registered, and thrown open to the student studying with the help of the notations. If research is able to determine the meaning of pictorial descriptions of the ragas, (and I must mention that there are to be found works on the chromatics of sound, such as Field on Chromatics of Sound), then these pictorial representations can be incorporated in our text-books to be, as expounding the aesthetic psychic possibilities of the raga. The ancient works do not throw light on the principles of the compositions of tunes or songs, so that even one has to fall back on a limited stock of "ustadi" songs, the correctness of which no one can be sure of as they have never been noted and have only been handed down from generation to generation. When these principles are determined, and standardised, incorrect versions of "ustadi" compositions can be corrected, and also new compositions made. By a study of the works relating to the southern system, we can compose songs for the northern musicians in the ragas which are suited there but have not found a place in the northern system, and thus induce, at some date, how distant soever, a fusion of the two systems of music.

In short, having by the study of the texts ascertained the groundwork of the system, constructive activity can improve on that groundwork and adapt it to the prevailing conditions of education. It is therefore, of great use to study those texts and to obtain from them thorough insight into our music as it was.

